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TYPHOON HITS THE COLONY.

TERRIFIC GALE FELT THIS AFTERNOON.

BLUE FUNNEL BOAT ASHORE AT WEST POINT.

APOEY ALSO AGROUND.

For the first time for six years, warning bombs were fired in Hongkong this morning, indicating that a gale of typhoon force was imminent.

At that time there was a comparative lull, but the wind freshened rapidly, and at the time of going to press the typhoon appeared to be at its height, terrific gusts sweeping the Colony from end to end, carrying away signboards, etc., smashing windows, demolishing matchboxes, and giving men on ships in Harbour an extremely anxious time.

A Blue Funnel boat was at one time seen dragging her anchor in spite of the fact that her engines were at full steam ahead. When last seen, she was endeavouring to make for the centre of the Harbour from a point opposite the Harbour Office.

First Real Blow.

It was about two o'clock that the full force of the typhoon was felt, although the ferries, trams and buses had stopped much earlier, the ferries as long as two hours.

It was early evident that the Colony was to undergo an experience from which it has been immune since 1923, though it is impossible at the moment to gain any details of the damage done. Trees have been uprooted in many parts of the Colony, and there must be a great deal of minor damage. When the disaster of first magnitude has been suffered, it will only be possible to say when the weather calms down.

Two Ships Ashore.

Later, it transpires that the Blue Funnel boat in distress was the s.s. Tyndareos which broke away from Buoy A.5 and has since gone ashore at West Point.

The s.s. Apoei is also in trouble. She was at Gap Rock at 6.15 this morning coming into port when apparently she ran into the storm, and it is learned that she has also gone ashore, in the same vicinity. It is understood, as the Tyndareos.

The s.s. Derwent and the s.s. Venezia, both of which were at anchor at Yau-mai, were dragged to the beach by the rescue tug Kau Sing went to their assistance.

Later, accompanied by a naval tug, the Kau Sing went to the assistance of the stranded ships at West Point.

Ready for Squalls.

All ocean going shipping left the wharves last night and berthed at typhoon buoys, while smaller craft hurried away to the shelters. At an early hour this morning there were no sampans or junka visible in the harbour except isolated ones in the tow of a launch, heading for Yau-mai or Causeway Bay. The ferries were running with stripped awning and up to 10.30 a.m. the harbour was comparatively calm.

The remaining craft soon sought shelter, however. The warships were moved from the dock walls to buoys in the Naval anchorage and the motor boats and launches also left for places of safety. One of the last launches to leave her wharf was the P. and O. tender which had a rough crossing over to Yau-mai. A diminutive motor boat was still in the harbour at eleven o'clock, struggling valiantly against a heavy sea.

Praya Waves.

In the city there were few indications that the wind was freshening but a walk along the Praya betrayed the imminence of a gale. The sea was so rough that waves swept over the Praya and a mist made Kowloon invisible. The Praya was almost deserted by eleven o'clock but the weather appeared to brighten and by some it was felt that the worst of the storm had passed.

Sudden powerful gusts of wind, however, started to sweep the Praya from then onwards. The

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NEARLY 350 MILES AN HOUR!

BRITISH AVIATOR BREAKS ALL AIR RECORDS.

SCHNEIDER CUP TRIAL.

London, Aug. 22. According to the newspapers, the greatest speed ever attained in the air has been reached by Flying Officer Whigham.

It was whilst making a practice flight at Southampton for the Schneider Cup Race that Flying Officer Whigham attained the phenomenal speed of nearly 350 miles an hour.

The machine was a super-marina Rolls Royce monoplane, named the "Blue Rocket".—*Reuter*.

Paris, Aug. 17. According to the *Paris-Midi*, the Italian seaplanes which are to participate in the Schneider Cup Race, which have been ordered from different makers, and assembled with the greatest secrecy, will be transported to Zeebrugge in 12 sealed wagons. They will then be taken aboard a vessel to Southampton, arriving there at the end of the week.

It is known that two of the machines, constructed at the Piaggio factories, are provided with two motors of 1,000 h.p., each turning in a different direction to the other, and placed in the axis of the machine, with the pilot sitting in the centre. The idea is further developed by the machine having two propellers, the one placed in front being operative in its working, and the one in the rear being propulsive.

It would appear that Italy has the highest hopes of capturing the trophy.—*Indo-Pacific*.

BETTY NUTHALL'S COME-BACK.

AVENGES WIMBLEDON GAME WITH MRS. BUNDY.

U.S. CHAMPIONSHIPS.

New York, Aug. 21. One of the most exciting matches in the American women's tennis championships at Forest Hills today was the clash between Miss Betty Nuthall and Mrs. Bundy (formerly Miss May Sutton). Miss Nuthall had a Wimbledon defeat to avenge, and she made no mistake, beating the former champion in straight sets.

Miss Helen Wills won with the greatest of ease. In her third match she did not concede a game. She has only conceded one game during the tournament so far.

Another British Wimbledon Cup player fell by the wayside, Miss Helen Jacobs, disposing of Mrs. Cavell after a ding-dong struggle.

The principal third round results were:
Miss Wills (U.S.A.) beat Miss A. Francis (U.S.A.), 6-0, 6-0.
Mrs. Mitchell (Britain) beat Miss M. Gladman (U.S.A.), 4-6, 6-4, 6-1.
Miss Betty Nuthall (Britain) beat Mrs. Bundy (U.S.A.) 7-5, 6-1.
Miss Jacobs (U.S.A.) beat Mrs. Cavell (Britain) 10-8, 6-3.
Miss M. Greef (U.S.) beat Miss S. Pallrey (U.S.) 6-3, 6-2.
Mrs. Watson (Britain) beat Mrs. Harper (U.S.A.), 11-9, 6-3.—*Reuter's American Service*.

NAVAL DISARMAMENT PROBLEM.

MR. CHURCHILL OPPOSES FULL PARTY PRINCIPLE.

Winnipeg, Aug. 21. Mr. Winston Churchill, who spent several years as First Lord of the Admiralty, addressing a huge audience to-day and referring to the proposed naval disarmament conference at Washington, said that "any party in minor craft would mean British inferiority considering all the circumstances".—*Reuter*.

CONCERT POSTPONED.

The promenade concert which was to have been held at the Volunteer Parade Ground tomorrow night has been postponed on account of the inclement weather.

K.O.S.B. DESERTERS ON TRIAL.

STORY OF A TRIP TO MANILA.

DEFENDING OFFICER'S PLEA FOR LENIENCY.

MEN NOT ACQUITTED.

Private Thomas Smith and Private Edward O'Donnell, of the 2nd Battalion King's Own Scottish Borderers, were not acquitted on charges of desertion and losing regimental equipment, by a District Court Martial held at Murray Barracks this morning.

Private Smith and Private O'Donnell were discovered on board the s.s. Bellingham on the morning of July 19th, and were handed over to the American authorities when the vessel reached Manila. They were returned to Hongkong by the Empress of France, and charged accordingly.

Smith pleaded guilty to both charges, but was defended by Lieut. the Honourable The Master Of Napier, 2nd K.O.S.B., who entered a written plea on his behalf.

Leniency Urged.

Lieut. Napier urged the Court to deal leniently with the accused. He stated that the accused fully charged against him, and it was without hesitation that he, the defending officer, urged him to plead guilty. The accused had been in the Colony for nearly three years on military service, during which time he had not left Hongkong, either on pleasure or on duty. Human nature being what it was, the impulse to go away overtook the accused, and he obeyed it. The defending officer intimated that he thought a maximum sentence of 112 days' detention would amply meet the case.

Lieut. J. Scott-Elliott, Prosecutor, then read out the accused's military record. He had been drunk twice since enlistment, out of bounds twice in the last 12 months, and three times since enlistment. He had been guilty of irregular conduct twice during the last 12 months, and 17 times since enlistment. Accused was 24 years of age and had served for four years and 103 days with the Army.

To Meet "Townie."

Private Edward O'Donnell, whose case was next heard, pleaded not guilty to both charges. He was defended by Lieut. J. D. Welch, an officer with an unusually good knowledge of military law. After formal evidence of absence from barracks had been taken, Private O'Donnell gave evidence on his own behalf. On the night of July 18, he said, he met Private Smith in an ice cream parlour in Hongkong. Smith told him that he knew some men in the crew of the s.s. Bellingham, one of whom came from the same town in Ireland as O'Donnell. Smith persuaded him to go to the Bellingham to visit these men, but first they went back to Wellington Barracks to change into civilian clothes.

They went aboard the Bellingham and at about 12.30 a.m. suggested to Smith that they return to barracks. Some man with whom they had been drinking on board the ship told them that there was plenty of time.

The next thing he knew, was that he was awakened by the boatswain of the Bellingham, who told them that they would both have to go before the Captain.

Worked Passage.

The commander of the ship told them that they would have to work their passages to Manila. This they did, and on arrival there asked to see the British Consul. They were told that this could not be done, as it was too late. Next morning, however, they were given to understand that they would be returned to Hongkong aboard the Empress of France, at the instance of the Consular authorities.

Questioned by Lieut. Scott-Elliott, O'Donnell said that the reason he changed into plain clothes was because if he had gone out in uniform after 10.30 p.m., he would have been arrested by the military police, as he was not in possession of a late pass.

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HAGUE MEETINGS IN SECRET.

ANXIOUS DISCUSSION FOR TWO & HALF HOURS.

NO PROGRESS HINTED.

The Hague, Aug. 21.

In strictest secrecy the representatives of the Six principal Powers at the Conference conferred for two hours and a half this evening and adjourned until 10.30 to-morrow morning.

An hour earlier, Mr. Arthur Henderson, M. Briand, Dr. Stresemann, and M. Hyman had also had a secret conference, lasting approximately an hour. They talked, it is understood, regarding the evacuation of the Rhineland and they are to meet again at four o'clock to-morrow afternoon, while the Political Commission will meet at four o'clock on Friday afternoon.

A message from Wiesbaden says that gloom prevails there as a result of a report that Belgian troops may replace the British in

FENG VIRTUALLY A PRISONER.

Said to be in Charge of Yen Shi-shan.

A naval wireless message states that according to information from Nanking, Marshal Feng Yu-hsiang is now virtually a prisoner in the charge of Marshal Yen Shi-shan.

The reports of his travelling abroad are still maintained, and he now dresses in European style, presumably in readiness for departure.

The reports of his illness are untrue, although he was ill when at Nanking.

The event of Britain evacuating the Zone. The Municipal authorities have telegraphed urging Dr. Stresemann not to agree to this, suggesting that it would be preferable to retain the British than to have the Belgians.—*Reuter*.

Outlook Not Hopeful.

The Hague, Aug. 21. The prospect of a Reparations Conference agreement is very slight. The Treasury Experts, despite two days' labours, are unable to agree on the yield to Britain under the four Powers' proposals. Interest now centres in the Allies' reply to Germany, as to what she is expected to do if no financial agreement is reached. It is indubitable that if the Allies agree, Germany will pay on the Young scale after September 1, and the Allies will meet in October to settle the distribution.—*Reuter*.

Situation Unchanged.

Later, The Italian delegate, Signor Pirolli, had a conversation with Mr. Snowden, and explained why Italy was unable to make any concession regarding the distribution of the Young annuities.

The talk brought the two camps no nearer, and the situation remains unchanged, no new offer having been made to Mr. Snowden by the four Powers.—*Reuter*.

MAURETANIA'S FINE ACHIEVEMENT.

SPEED AVERAGES MORE THAN 27 KNOTS.

London, Aug. 21. After a remarkable passage, the Cunard liner Mauretania, which arrived at Plymouth at two o'clock this morning, has beaten her own record for the run from New York to Plymouth by four hours.

She passed Eddystone Light-house, a distance of 3,098 miles, after steaming 4 days, 17 hours, 49 minutes, at average speed of over 27 knots, which is a wonderful performance for a ship 22 years old.

The time taken on the passage was only two hours more than the record of the new North German Lloyd liner Bremen.—*British Wireless*.

THE AMERICA CUP CHALLENGE.

SIR THOMAS LIPTON'S NEW SHAMROCK.

CONTRACT GIVEN TO NOTED DESIGNER.

TANTALISING TROPHY.

London, Aug. 21. The famous Gosport yacht-builders, Messrs. Camper and Nicholson, have signed a contract to build Sir Thomas Lipton's Shamrock V, with which he hopes to wrest the America Cup from the United States next year. The New York Yacht Club has accepted the challenge and the race will begin on September 3rd, 1930, says *Reuter*.

The new vessel to be built for Sir Thomas Lipton will be cut-rigged and about 77 feet long on the water line, which will bring her into the 23 metre class.

Sir Thomas, it was first reported, intended that the designer should be the equally noted builder, William Fife, but he changed his mind and the new Shamrock is to be from the design of Charles Nicholson, who was responsible for Shamrock IV.

History of the Cup.

When the never-to-be-forgotten America sailed over to England's shores in 1851, she competed for a trophy which was to come to prominence in international sport such as nobody could have dreamed of at the time. This trophy was an ordinary enough cup, which the Royal Yacht Squadron offered outright as a prize for a race round the Isle of Wight. She won it with fair ease, and so it became hers—the America Cup—and as the America Cup it has been known for seventy-eight years.

It is not quite easy to understand why the America Cup should have become, almost at once, the most coveted, and after the first few unsuccessful challenges, the most tantalising sporting trophy in the world. Probably it was because of the completeness of the America's victory over the cocksure British racing fleet of the time.

The Four Shamrocks.

The cup she won then was taken to the United States and assigned to the New York Yacht Club, the "deed of gift" stipulating, among many other and less simple conditions, that it should become a challenge cup. Nobody challenged for it until 1870, when the British yacht Cambria was beaten by the American yacht Magic. There followed at intervals eight more unsuccessful attempts to wrest the trophy from the tenacious grip of the New York Yacht Club. In 1899 Sir Thomas Lipton challenged with the first of the Shamrocks. She was beaten, and Shamrock II, in 1901, Shamrock III, in 1903, and Shamrock IV, in 1920, were each defeated.

Sir Thomas Lipton's acceptance of four successive defeats has earned him the honour, and regard of all sportsmen in both countries. This tribute is the more wholehearted because traces of ill-feeling had marred one or two of the previous contests. But the Shamrock series of challenges for the America Cup has been fought out by both sides in the best spirit, and the courage and good temper shown in defeat by Sir Thomas, and his skippers and his crew, have gone a long way to restoring a proper feeling to this trying contest.

No "Freak" Vessels.

The fact that the challenger has to sail across the Atlantic is sometimes spoken of as an "unfair" condition. How can it be? The America sailed across to win the cup.

"Ah, yes," one is sometimes answered. "But the yacht which has to cross the Atlantic must be of far stronger and therefore heavier construction than the defender need be." There used to be some force in this argument, but there is none now.

The New York Yacht Club recently decided that all vessels built to its rules (as all the America Cup

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THE 'POWDER-PUFF' AIR DERBY.

STARTLING ALLEGATIONS OF SABOTAGE.

SERIOUS COMPLAINTS.

Los Angeles, Aug. 21.

Startling allegations are being made by fair competitors in the "Powder-Puff" aerial Derby of interference with their machines in some mysterious manner, apparently with the object of giving certain fliers an advantage.

Mrs. Claire Fahy, who is one of the keenest competitors, alleges that her machine was tampered with, and says she believes that her brace wires and centre section were deliberately cut.

Mrs. Fahy is the first of the woman-pilots to make a direct charge of sabotage, but Miss Thien Rasche, the well-known German aviatix, told the Press yesterday that she had been obliged to withdraw owing to engine trouble due to impurities which entered her petrol tank "in a strange manner."

Miss Marvel (not Muriel) Crosson, the altitude record holder, who was killed yesterday, also complained of mysterious difficulties.—*Reuter's American Service*.

LATEST HANDLEY PAGE PLANE.

MACHINE REGARDED AS NEXT TO FOOLPROOF.

OUT FOR U.S. PRIZES.

London, Aug. 21.

A new British aeroplane, with which it is hoped to win the Daniel Guggenheim Safe Aircraft Competition in the United States this autumn, will soon leave this country for America.

Those who have seen it fly say it has most remarkable properties of slow flight at amazing angles to the ground. The Aeronautical Correspondent of the *Times* says the machine has been designed by the Handley Page Company and full advantage has been taken of the automatic slot, the use of which retains lateral control of the aeroplane when its speed has become so low that otherwise it would become still and spin to the ground.

Its wings are more than usually well provided with these slots, and in addition, there are flaps along the trailing edge which also greatly add to its capacity for slow flight under perfect control.

A photograph of the machine represents it leaving the ground at an angle of at least forty-five degrees. Such angle is impossible for a normal machine and the fact that it could fly off the ground in such position with perfect control, indicates that the pilot when landing should be able to do so at such a slow speed that the machine can be regarded as almost fool-proof.

The first prize in the competition is of a value of about £20,000. All the competing machines must be presented at Mitchell Field, Long Island, on or before October 31st next. According to latest information there are at least twelve entries.—*British Wireless*.

THE INDUS VALLEY FLOODS.

NO CAUSE FOR FURTHER ANXIETY.

Simla, Aug. 21.

The situation in the flood areas, caused by the bursting of the Shyok Dam, is again normal. The evacuated villages are being re-occupied and there is no cause for further anxiety.—*Reuter*.

WEATHER REPORT.

The Royal Observatory reports that pressure is highest over Korea and South Japan. The depression is crossing Kikkaido. (The local forecast and typhoon report appears elsewhere.)

RUSSIAN ATTACK ON MANCHULI.

REPULSED AFTER BIG ENGAGEMENT.

FURTHER REINFORCEMENTS ALREADY SENT.

PRECARIOUS FUTURE.

A wireless message received by the British naval authorities in Hongkong states that a report has been received of severe fighting lasting for about three hours, between Chinese and Russian troops.

The point of the conflict is not mentioned, but the message undoubtedly relates to a fierce engagement which took place at Manchuli yesterday morning. Chinese official reports state that the Russians attacked over 1,000 strong, the infantry being supported by field guns, machine guns and tanks.

The Soviet invasion began early in the morning and continued for several hours, resulting in heavy casualties on both sides.

Counter-Attacks.

The Chinese troops had their most anxious time between seven and eight o'clock. The Russians attacked fiercely and captured the Chinese front line trenches. A strong counter-attack, however, enabled the recapture of the position about an hour later.

During the fighting, it is estimated, over three hundred Chinese were killed or wounded, while the Russians suffered more or less to the same extent.

Worst of Series.

The military commander at Manchuli states in a report to the Military Council at Mukden that the Soviet troops made a determined effort to capture Manchuli without success. He adds that it was the most strenuous conflict since the Russians commenced their raids into Chinese territory.

The Chinese troops responsible for the defence were of the 9th Manchurian Regiment. It is learned that after a battle of three hours the Russians retired from the field. The Chinese claim the capture of one tank, 60 horses, numerous rifles and other weapons, and 40 Russian prisoners.

Reinforcements Sent.

Mukden, Aug. 21. Yesterday afternoon saw the arrival of the Manchurian reinforcements at Kharlar and one full division was immediately dispatched to reinforce the garrison at Manchuli.

The situation at Manchuli remains precarious and tense and it is anticipated that more Kirin troops will be sent to reinforce the Chinese garrison there in a day or two.

Nanking messages to hand at Mukden this evening suggest that on account of the Manchurian victory over the Russians at Manchuli, the Nanking National Government will shortly issue a proclamation commending the troops of General Chang Hsueh-liang on their success at Manchuli.

Southern Troops.

The Mukden Government has been officially informed by the Nanking leaders that in the event of further serious clashes between Chinese and Russian troops the Nanking army under Tang Sang-chi (former Hunan and Hupoh Military Governor), Liu Chen-huai, and Chen Tiao-yuen will be sent to Manchuria to line the borders. They will be placed under the supreme command of General Chang Hsueh-liang and General Ho Chen-chun, the Nanking Chief-of-Staff to the National Army.

Frontier Reinforced.

Tokyo, Aug. 21. A message from Kwangchongtai states that, believing the situation is worsening, the Kirin Trench Brigade has been ordered to proceed to the frontier. Advance guards have already entrained northward.—*Reuter*.

Chinese Troop Movements.

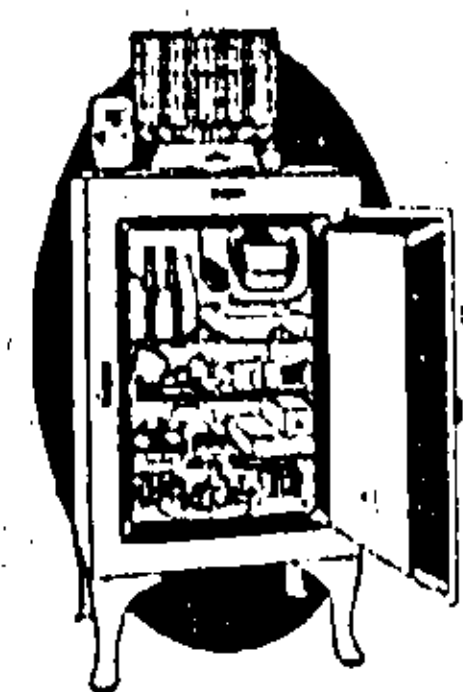
Peking, Aug. 21. A message from Manchuli says one division of Chinese troops

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MURDER OF INDIAN CONSTABLE.

CHINESE WOMAN'S STORY OF CRIME.

The hearing was commenced before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon of the case in which a Chinese named Lam Ling is accused of murdering an Indian constable, Sapuran Singh, whose body was found on a vacant piece of ground near the junction of Canton and Jordan Roads on July 11.

Opening the case on behalf of the Crown, Mr. Fitzroy went into details in describing the surroundings where the crime was committed. He said that the affair occurred on July 10 on an area of open ground at the corner of Canton Road and Jordan Road. The ground took a slight rise towards a small hill, and on the plot was an improvised shed comprising a mat suspended between two elevated pieces of earth.

The man who was now dead, an Indian constable named Sapuran Singh, was served with his revolver somewhere about 7.50 p.m. on the evening of July 10 and then was paraded for duty. He was seen by two officers in the early part of the evening, about 8.30, and by a European sergeant who took his chop at 8.45 p.m. This was the last time that he was seen alive.

Body Found.

He did not present himself for his chop to be taken later in the evening, and when the relief went out at midnight he was not to be found. The next morning about 5.30 a search was being made, and he was found lying on the open ground mentioned.

In the shed or mat cover, already referred to, lived the prisoner. At the place was a woman living with him, but the exact relationship between them was very doubtful. The prosecution would put her into the box, but before asking her of the occurrence her relationship with the prisoner would be determined.

Mr. Fitzroy pointed out that her evidence would not be admissible if she was the prisoner's wife. Continuing, Mr. Fitzroy in describing the position of the corpse said that it lay on its right side. The man was wearing his boots and puttees, but his uniform shorts were lying some distance from the body. The man's shirt was wrapped up round his back.

Revolver Missing.

It would be seen from the photographs that the holster was lying on the ground, but the revolver was missing. A little further away was a chopper, and on the other side of the body was the belt. It was fairly obvious that he was surprised in that state. It was difficult to say what had happened. A chopper was also found underneath the body.

The severe wounds pointed to murder, and naturally suspicion fell upon the prisoner, who had vanished in the meantime. He was nowhere about during the whole of that day, but the following day he was seen in Chinese territory just over the border.

The prisoner and the woman, with whom he had been living, were seen near a nunnery some time between five and six o'clock on the 11th. He had apparently taken the train and alighted at the border station.

Caught by Guards.

The couple were seen by two men to have a conversation with one of the nuns. They being strangers, the men followed the prisoner and the woman along the railway track. Another witness would say that he saw the woman throw something to the prisoner and then shots were heard. The assumption was that the woman had thrown the man a revolver.

The man who had seen the article thrown then ran to the village, and after gathering the village guards returned to the scene, where the prisoner and the woman were taken into custody. The party later returned to where the shots were fired, and in a dry ditch the revolver was recovered and later handed over to the Police. The

weapon was the same one that was taken from the Indian constable after the murder.

Formal evidence of the production of plans of the vicinity and photographs of the locality where the murder was committed was given, after which Dr. J. E. Dovey, medical officer of the Kowloon Mortuary, described the wounds found on the Indian's body.

The Injuries Described.

Witness said that there were multiple wounds on the left side of the head, shattering the skull and exposing the brain. Other minor cuts were described, witness stating that the cause of death was due to multiple fractures of the skull, laceration of the brain, and shock.

Witness gave it as his opinion that the Indian was lying down when attacked, but he said that it was very difficult to say definitely.

When asked if he had any questions to put to the witness, the prisoner wished to know if there was any chance of the revolver being recovered from Shum Chun.

Mr. Fitzroy intimated that the revolver had been found, but did not know if the prisoner was aware of that or not.

His Worship pointed out to the prisoner that Dr. Dovey knew nothing about the revolver.

Tang Kiu, the woman with whom the prisoner had been living, was then called, and in reply to Mr. Fitzroy said that she was 18 years of age and first came to Hongkong on November 19, 1928.

"Kidnapped by Prisoner."

Mr. Fitzroy: How did you come to Hongkong?
Witness: I was kidnapped and brought to Hongkong by some robbers.

Mr. Fitzroy started to put further questions to the witness regarding her native village, when she broke into tears and muttered that the defendant was the man who had kidnapped her.

His Worship suggested that the prisoner should be asked "if he claimed the witness as his wife."

The prisoner said that he had married the girl, and had spent a lot of money for the ceremony.

The girl denied that she was the prisoner's wife.

Mr. Fitzroy submitted that it was for the prisoner to establish that the woman was his wife. The fact that they had been living together did not establish that they were man and wife.

Mr. Fitzroy continued to examine the witness who stated that there was never any marriage ceremony. She had lived with the defendant because he had threatened to kill her if she ran away. She had lived with him ever since.

An Eligible Witness.

Mr. Fitzroy then submitted that the woman was eligible as a witness, subject to proof to the contrary by the defendant. Mr. Fitzroy mentioned that there might be argument later.

His Worship agreed that the woman's evidence was admissible. Mr. Fitzroy (to witness): Do you remember July 10, this year?

Witness: Yes.

Can you tell me what happened on the evening of that day? Where were you first?—I was at home in the place on the foot of the hill at the end of Battery Street.

Tell us what happened on that evening?—Anybody came to the hut?—An Indian constable came to the place while I was having supper.

Was it dark?—There was still light.

Were you alone?—No, I was with the robber chief, this man (indicating the prisoner).

Did this man (prisoner) say anything?—He received some money from the Indian constable and told me to go to the foot of the hill with the constable, but I refused to go.

Witness then described how she continued to refuse, and gave particulars of how the constable came to be partly undressed.

"Wanted Constable's Revolver."

What did prisoner say?—The prisoner said, "Look here don't be afraid. I got \$2 from the constable already. All I want is that revolver. I want to get hold of it and run away to Canton with you to use it there."

What happened then?—I refused. Continuing witness said that she tried to run away, but the prisoner

FIRE IN CANTON.

DISASTROUS OUTBREAK ON TUESDAY EVENING.

Canton, Aug. 21.

Shortly after 10 o'clock last night, a disastrous fire broke out at Choy Lan Street, destroying six houses and doing damage estimated at several lakhs of dollars.

The origin of the fire was reported to the police as due to a gas lamp being repaired in the Tung Cheong lamp shop, which exploded, and before assistance could be called to extinguish the flames the whole house caught fire. What with the gasoline and kerosene on the premises the fire made rapid headway, spreading to the adjoining houses, and when the fire engines arrived the blaze was already taking a firm hold. After working for about three hours, the fire brigade were able to control the fire, but even up to this morning there was still to be seen flames and smoke issuing from the burned premises.—Canton News Agency.

went after her, overtaking her after she had gone about ten paces. He told her to go back and she consented.

The Indian demanded the return of his money, but the prisoner refused, and witness then ran away. She saw the "robber chief" attack the Indian with a bamboo pole, striking the constable over the head. Witness stood by, and the prisoner shouted to her to help him.

Mr. Fitzroy: What did the Indian do?—He struggled and both fought together.

Threatened by Prisoner.

What did you do then?—I stood by. I did not do anything. The prisoner scolded me. He said, "What do you mean by standing here doing nothing. Go away quick or I will kill you."

Did you see anybody strike anybody else with anything else?—The Indian constable snatched the bamboo pole from the prisoner and struck him with it.

Witness said that the "robber chief" then picked up a chopper and threatened to kill her with it.

His Worship: Do you want this taken down. I don't believe a word of it.

Mr. Fitzroy: We shall see what she says about the chopper.

Witness, continuing, said that the prisoner then struck the Indian with the chopper.

Mr. Fitzroy: Did you see the Indian struck with the chopper?—No, I did not see the Indian struck with the chopper but there was a chopper there all right.

Did you see the Indian constable struck by anything other than the bamboo pole?—No.

What happened? What did the Indian do?—I ran away because the prisoner threatened to strike me to death with the chopper.

A Weird Story.

Proceeding, witness said that she did not see the prisoner pick up the chopper. She ran away to her brother's house.

His Worship: This is a weird story. After telling us she was kidnapped now she tells us she's got a brother in Austin Road.

The man mentioned by the witness was brought into Court, and in reply to his Worship said that he was not the witness' brother but was merely referred to by her as such.

Witness insisted that the man was her proper brother.

Mr. Fitzroy: Did you go back?—I returned to the shelter with my brother.

When you came back did you see this man (prisoner)?—Yes.

Was he alone?—The Indian was also there.

Was the Indian with him when you came up?—Yes.

Was the Indian alive?—He was still alive.

His Worship: Well, he was standing up or lying down?—When I returned to the shelter the robber chief was sitting down talking with the Indian sitting beside him.

In reply to a question, witness said the Indian was then dressed. At this stage the hearing was adjourned till this afternoon.

CANTON CINEMAS.

DISPUTE OVER NEW TAX NOT YET SETTLED.

Canton, Aug. 21.

As previously intimated, the Canton cinema firms closed their theatres in opposition to the increased Amusement Tax collected by the new tax farmer.

The Municipal Finance Department has mediated three times for a settlement between the parties concerned, but without result. It is now reported that the Bureau hopes to solve the difficulty by adding a further sum of \$30,000 to the previous tax of \$46,000. Instead of charging a percentage on each ticket sold at the theatres, but it appears that this arrangement is not satisfactory to the tax farmers and the matter is now again submitted to the Government for further consideration.—Canton News Agency.

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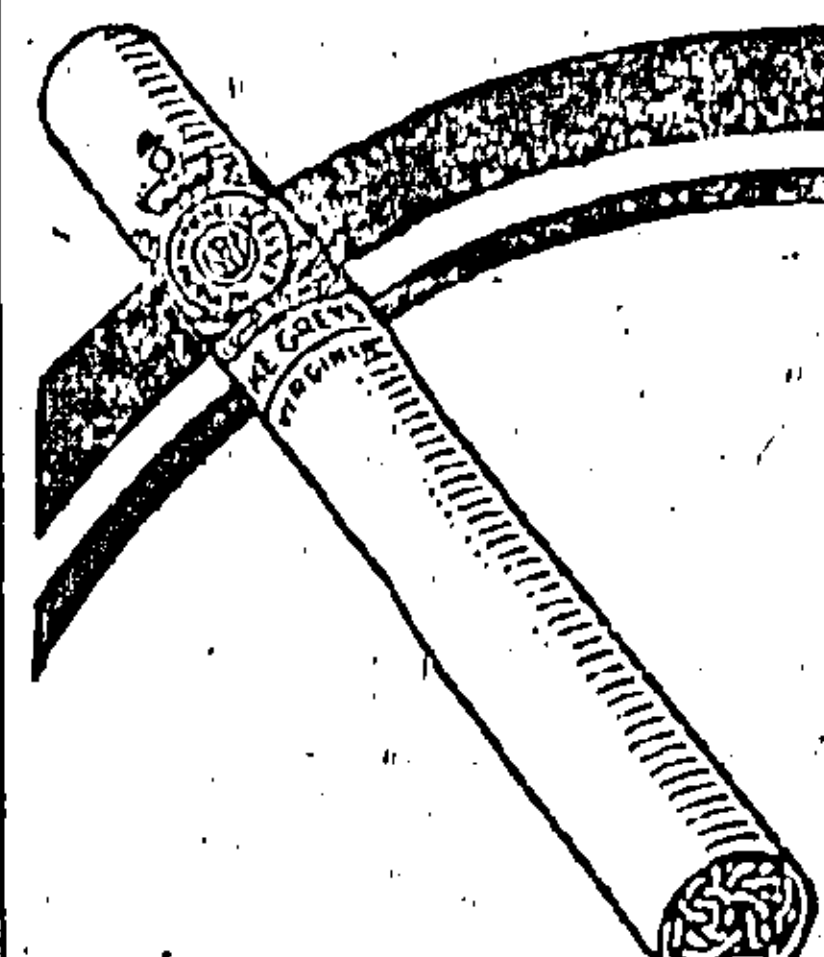
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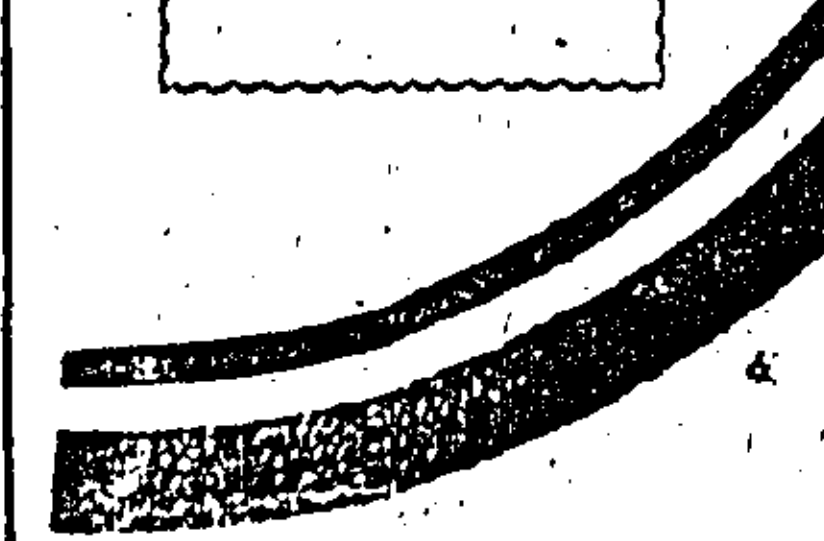
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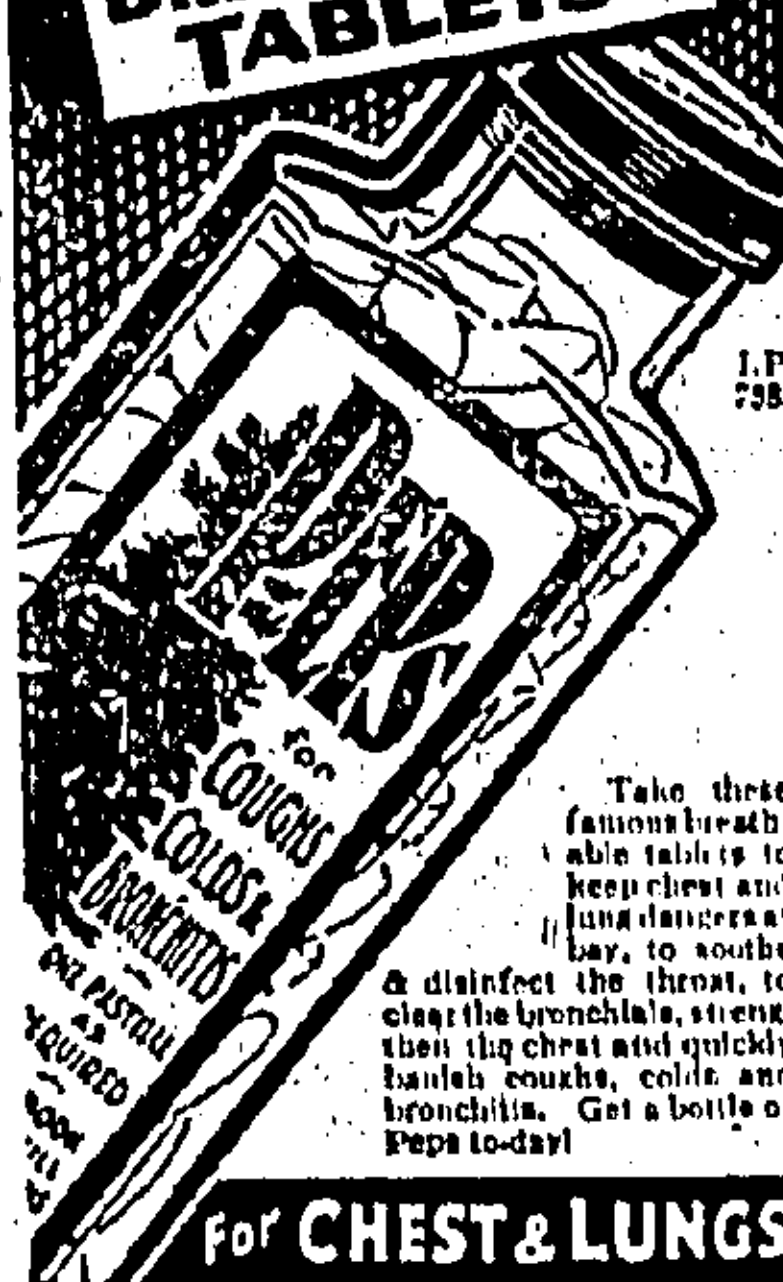


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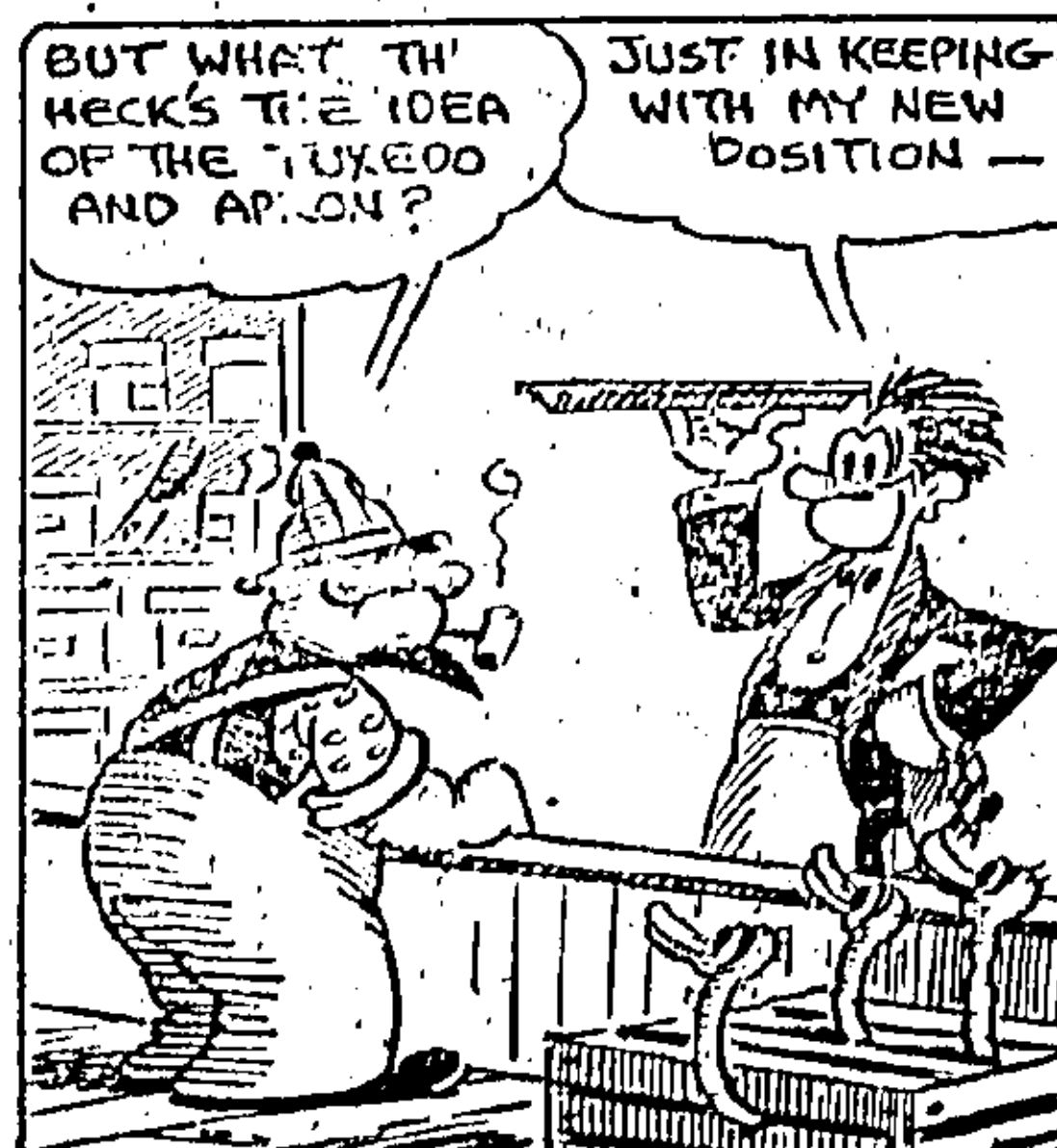
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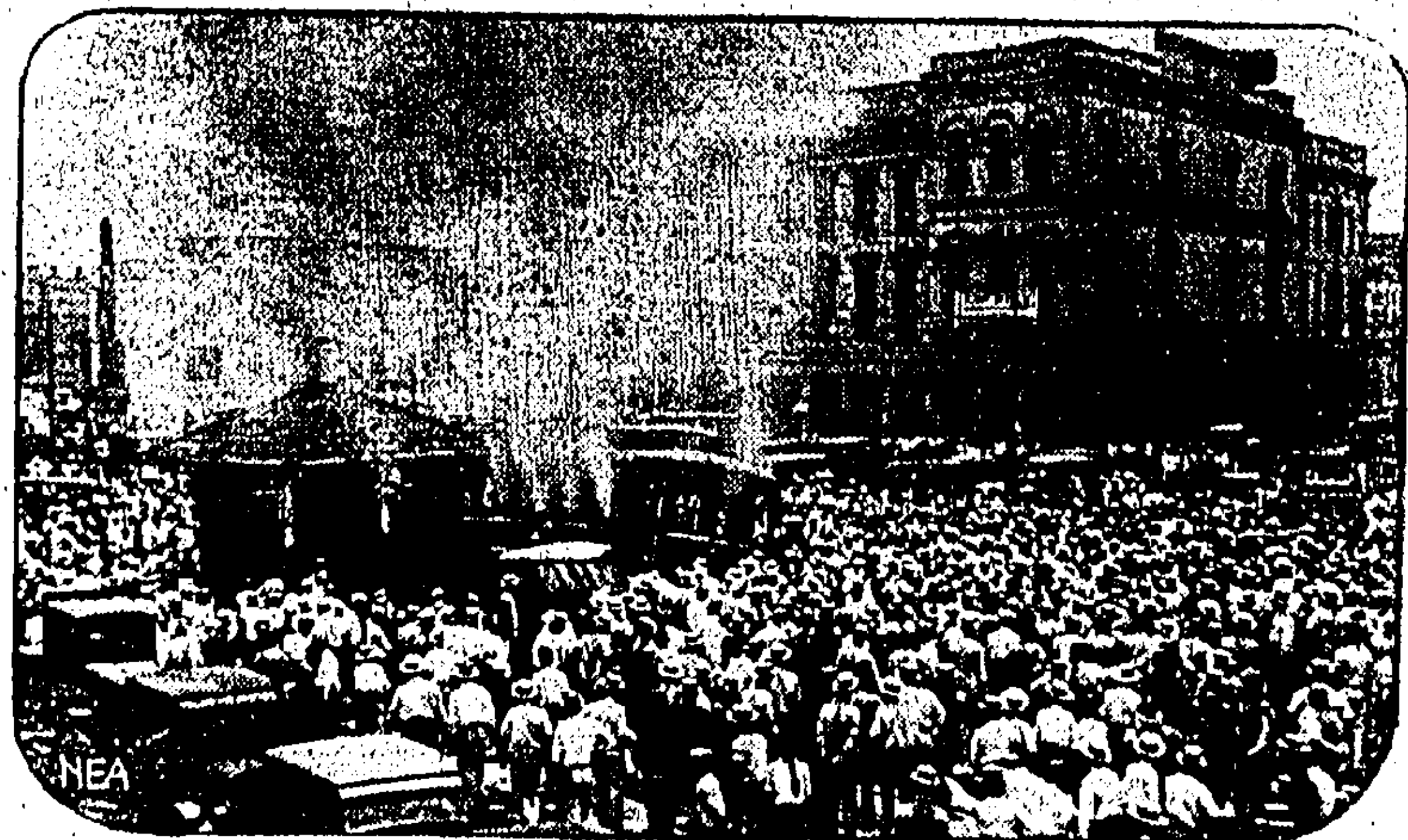


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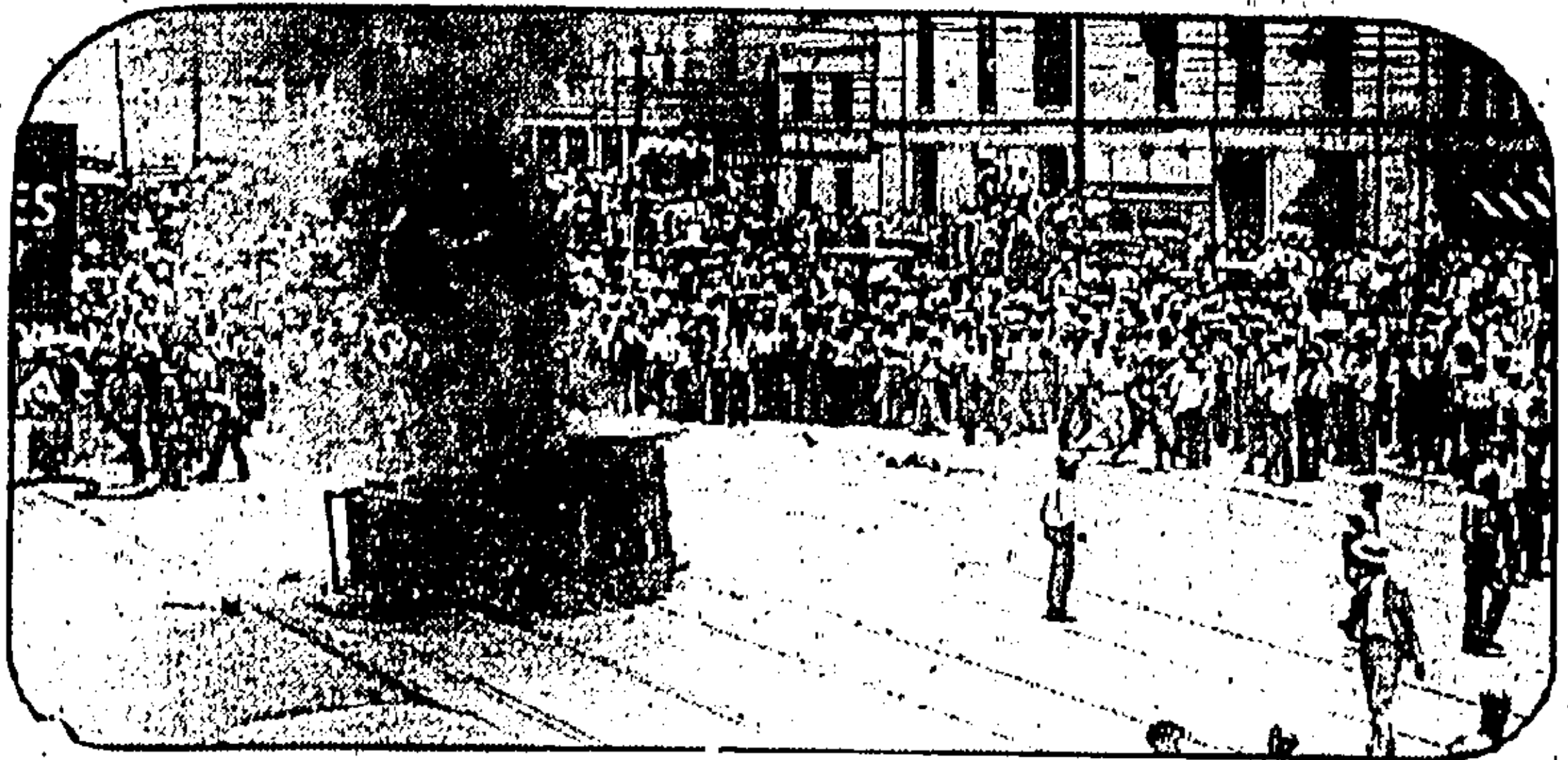


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Riots broke out in New Orleans recently when striking taxi employees wrecked and burned cars operated by non-union men in the heart of the city. Pictured above are hundreds of strikers and sympathizers burning a car which the company had attempted to operate with imported strike-breakers.



Another scene of mob violence in the New Orleans strike. When the taxicab company sent out a repair wagon to pull in a car wrecked by strikers on Canal street, strikers burned it.



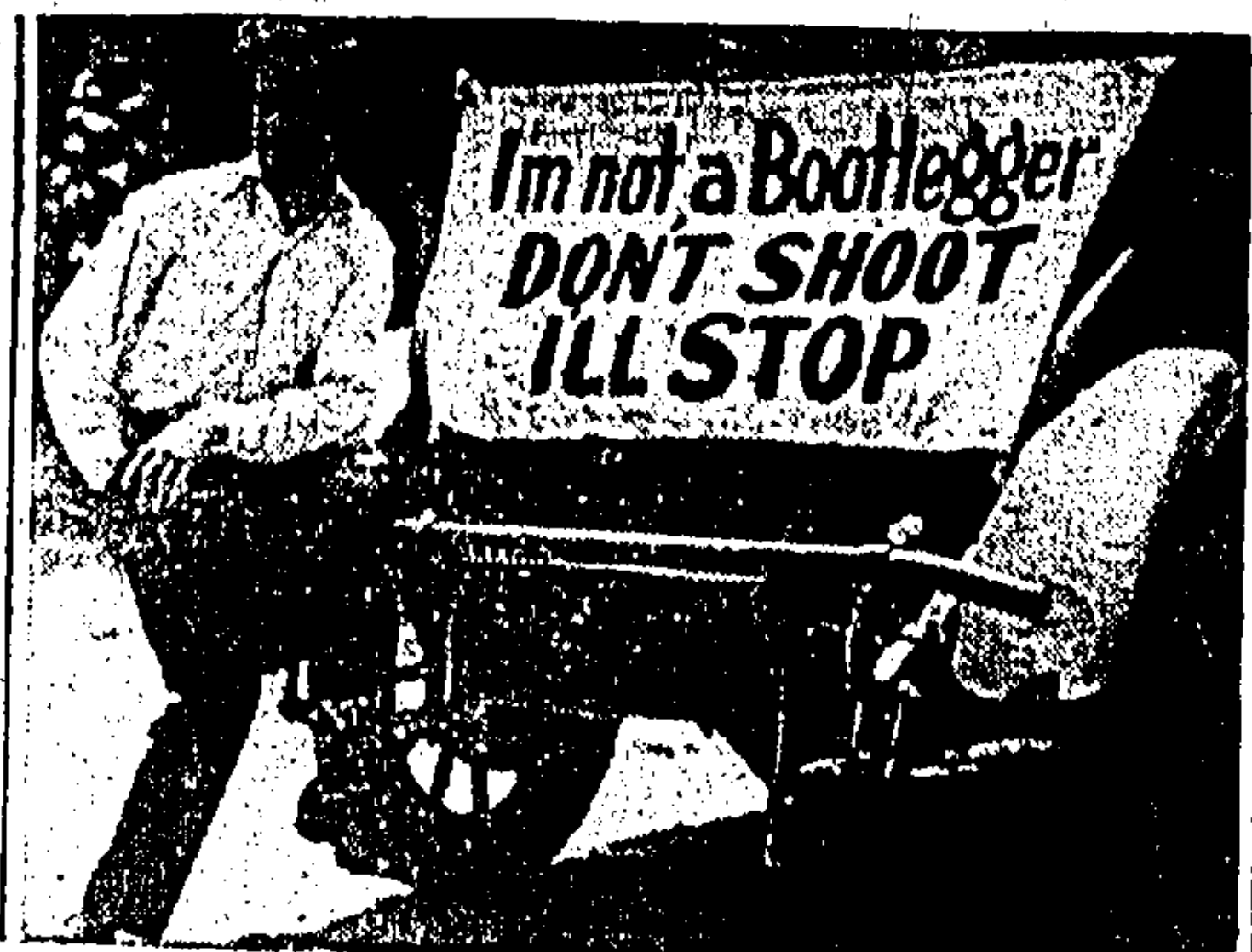
Women played a big part in the riot that marked the opening days of the strike at New Orleans. Here are strike sympathizers hurling stones and brick bats at cars manned by imported strike-breakers.



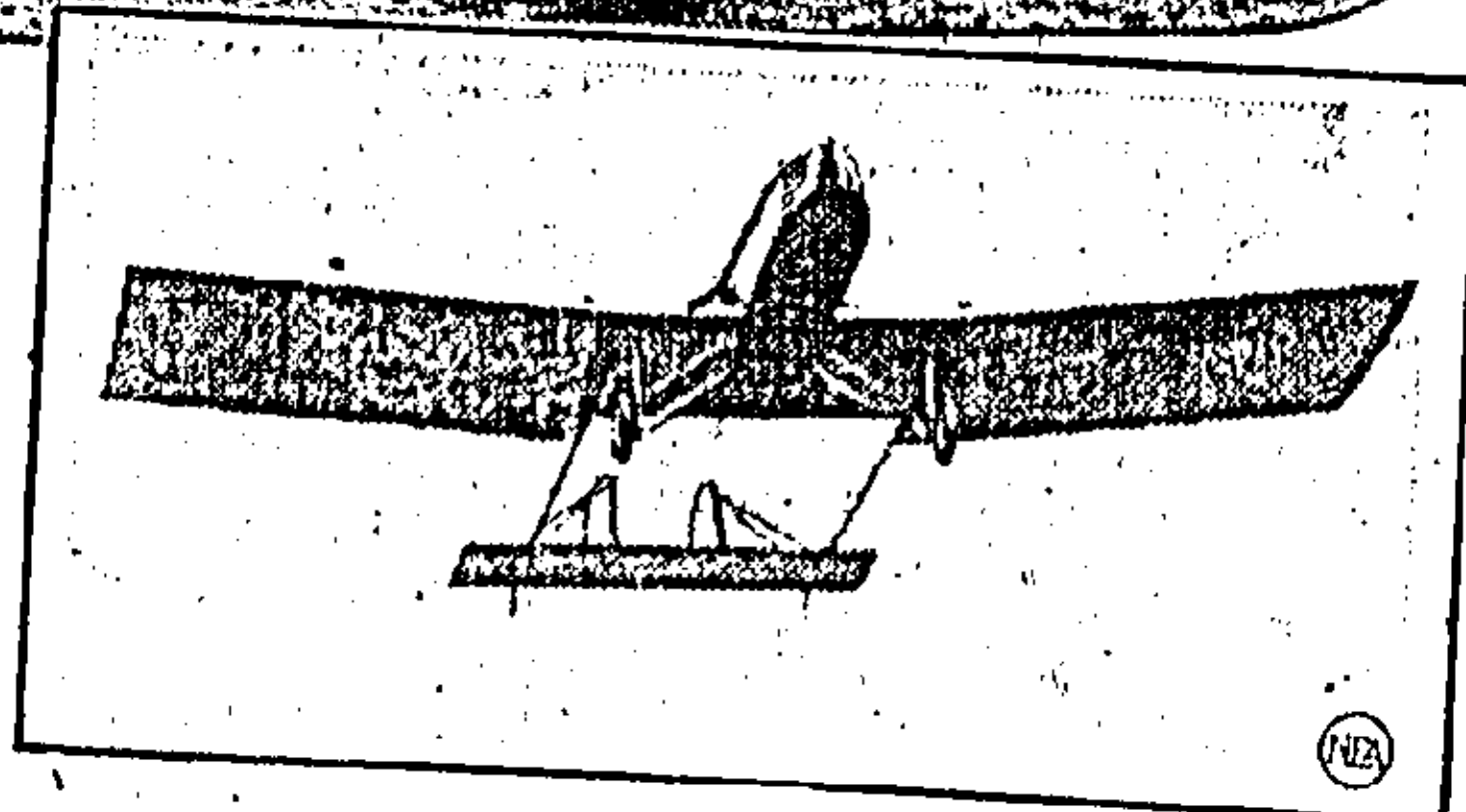
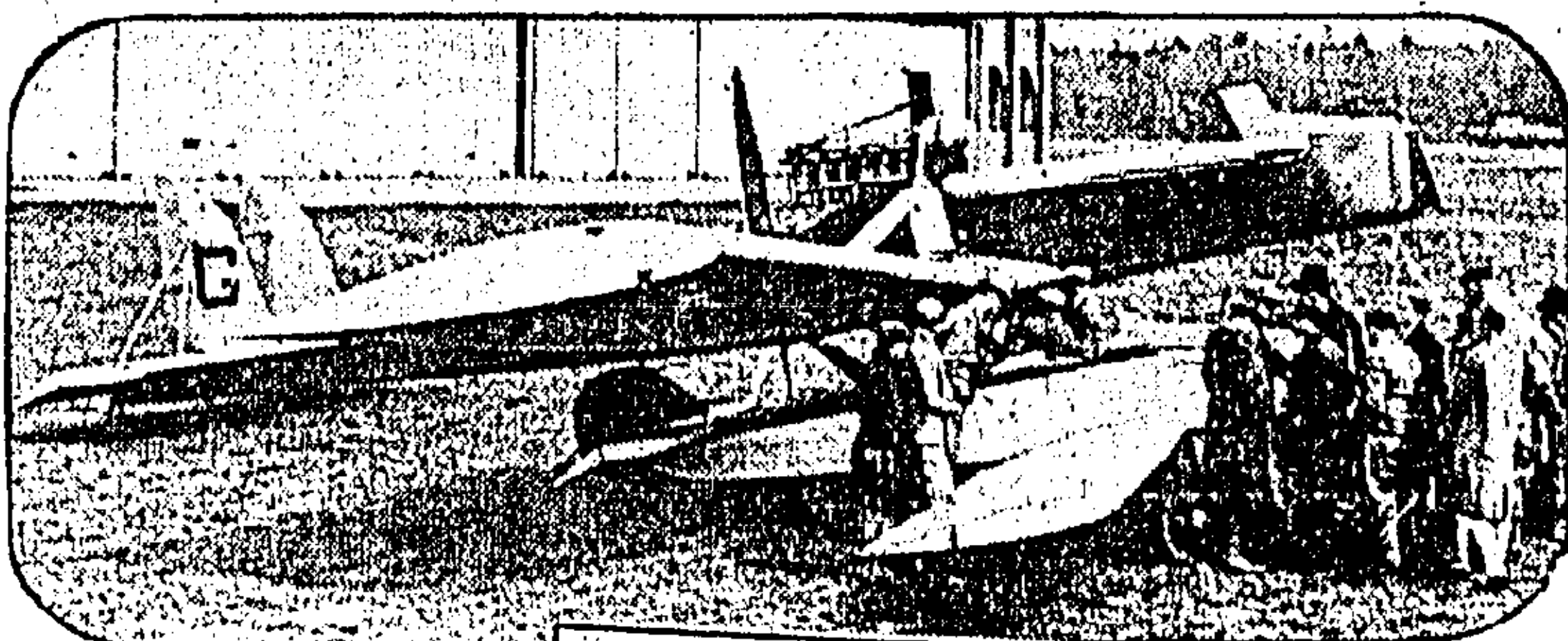
Mr. Thomas A. Edison follows the instruction of his friend Mr. Henry Ford to mark his board No. 1 in the dismantling of the shed in which the famous inventor developed his first electric lamp. The shed was taken apart to be shipped to Dearborn as an addition to the Ford Museum of Americans.



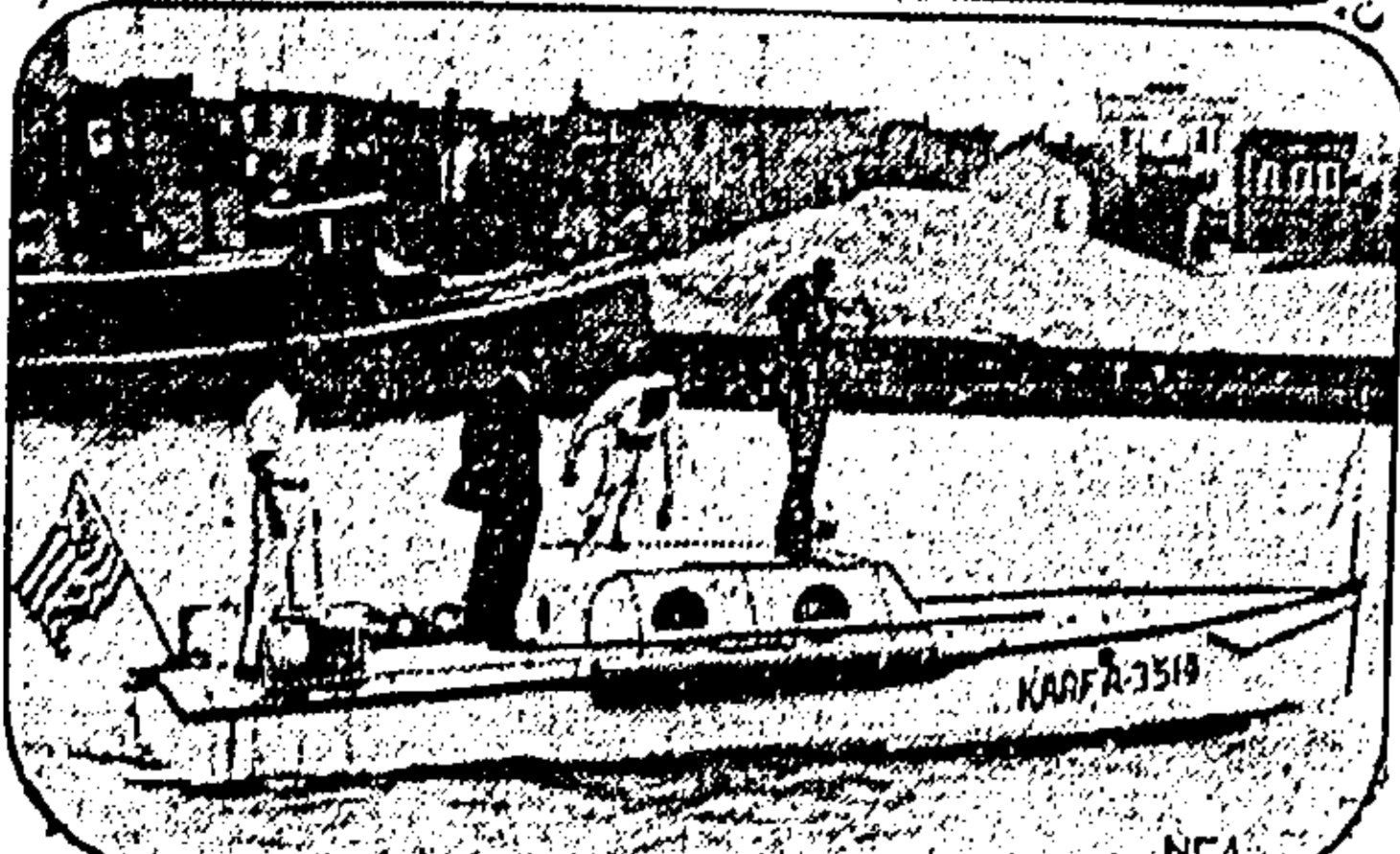
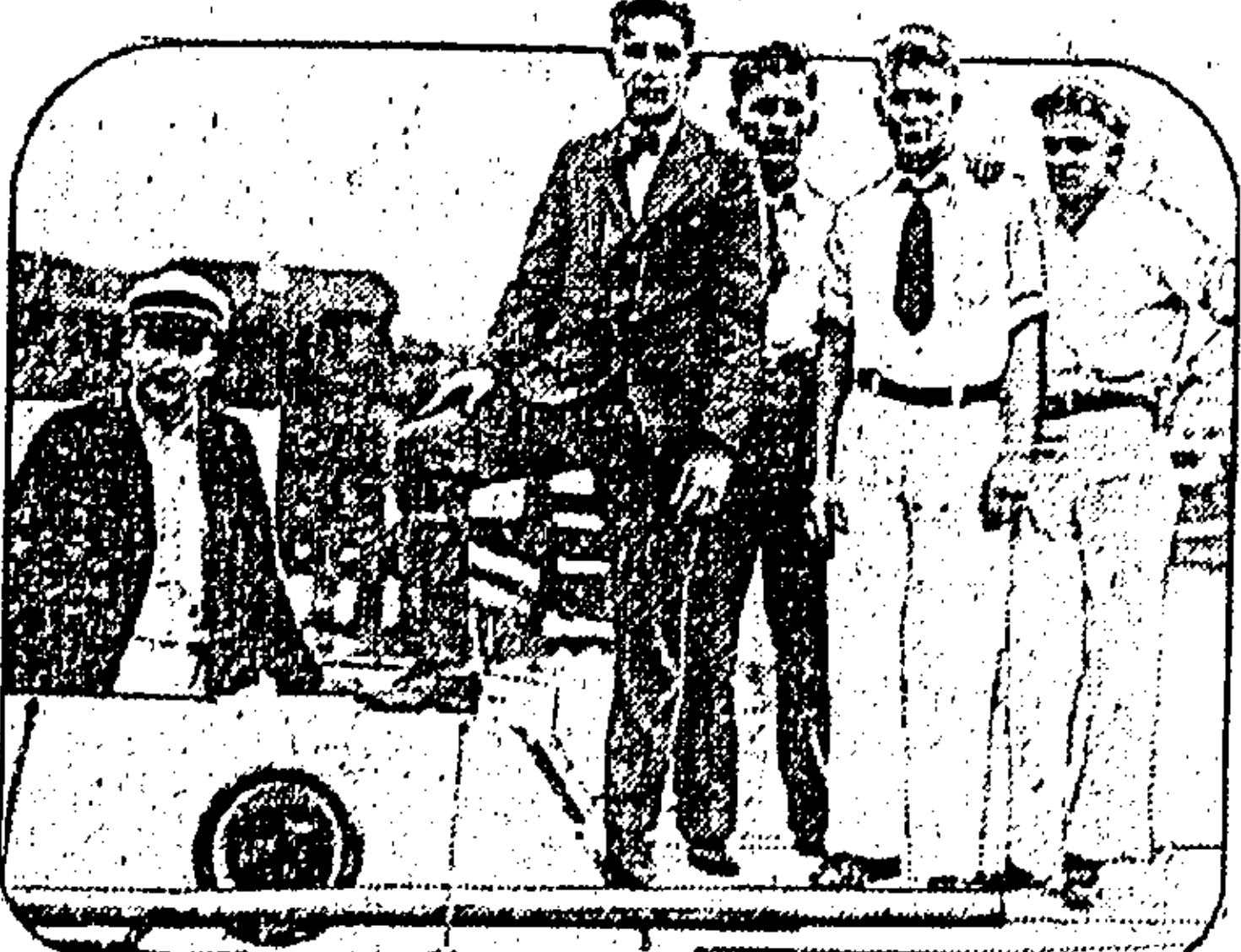
An action picture showing Miss Doris Goldsworthy, 15-years-old girl athlete of Fulham, taking the high hurdle. Doris, is expected to develop into one of England's finest women athletes.



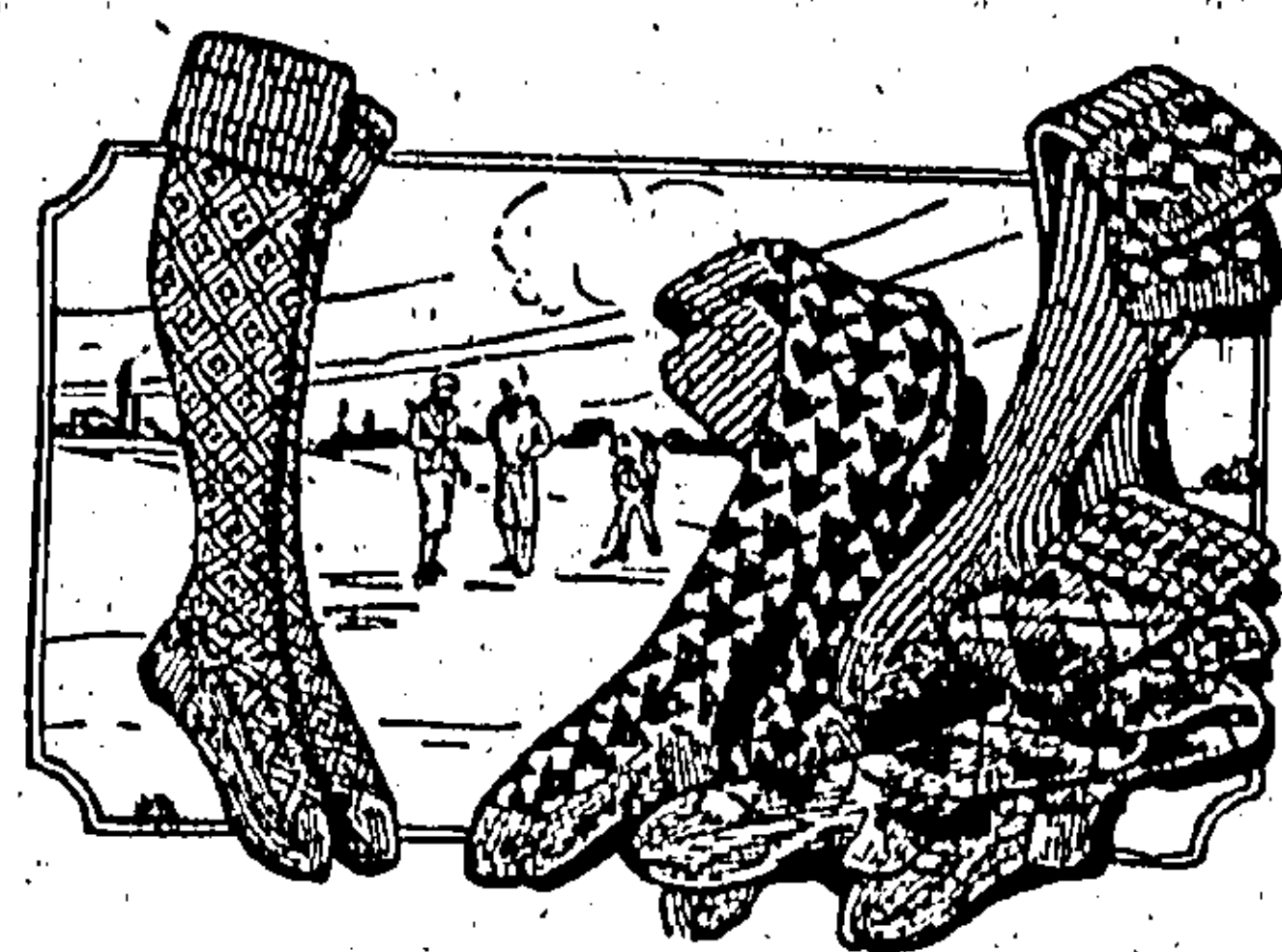
An ounce of prevention is better than cure, according to the gentleman above, who doesn't desire to be shot through mistaken identity.



A somewhat remarkable all-wooden machine which has been the subject of experiment in England. Of novel design, it is shown in flight at the bottom.



In the 26-foot steel motor boat pictured below, five men from Bronson, Mich., recently started through the Great Lakes toward the Atlantic ocean on a proposed voyage to Germany. Left to right are Captain Joe Lopploh, 31, head of the expedition; Konrad Kubatko, Henry Schnittger, Arlow Sowers and Rudy Bantle.



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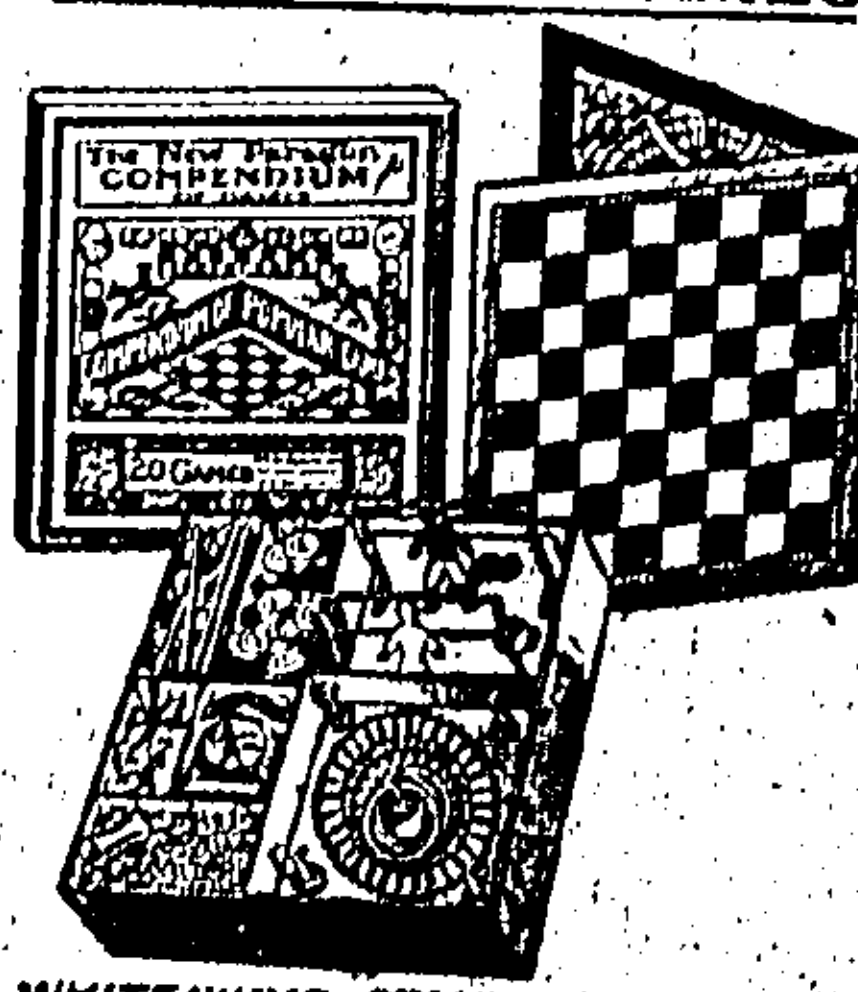
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G. R.**NOTICE.**

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£1,000 DAMAGES FOR MR. TOLLEY.**COMPLAINT OF CHOCOLATE ADVERTISEMENT.**

London, July 16.
A common jury yesterday awarded Mr. Cyril Tolley, the golfer, £1,000 damages in an action for libel which he brought against Messrs. J. S. Fry and Son. The subject of the action was an advertisement announcing the "cure" sold by Messrs. Fry, and the alleged libel was contained in a caricature and the following Limerick:
The caddy to Tolley said, "Oh, sir,
Good shot, sir, that ball, see it go, sir
My word how it flies,
Like a cart of Fry's,
They're handy, they're good,
And priced low sir."
This was published in the *Daily Sketch* and the *Daily Mail* in June last year.

Mr. Goddard, for Mr. Tolley, said that the caricature was published without Mr. Tolley's consent. It was a scurrilous attack on his amateur position, for reasonable people would say: "Cyril Tolley is lending himself to an advertising stunt for chocolate." I wonder what he gets out of it?

Mr. Tolley had no objection to being caricatured in connexion with sport, but he objected to appearing in a chocolate advertisement.

Mr. Tolley, in evidence, said that he had no idea that the caricature was being prepared or was going to be used. An imputation on a golfer's status would be detrimental in that it might prevent him playing in the amateur championship. It would definitely be a very bad thing for any well-known amateur golfer to lend himself to an advertising campaign either for money or other return.

Mr. Birkett (for the defence)—I gather that your real complaint is that people might think you were receiving payment from Messrs. Fry for allowing your caricature to appear?—I can see no other construction to be put upon a thing like that. I am cartooned so much that people would say: Why should I suddenly appear for Fry's unless I get something out of it?

Cabinet Ministers.

Mr. Birkett put the hypothetical case of a Cabinet Minister appearing in a cartoon, and asked: "Would you still think he must have received payment?"
"He is in a different position," said Mr. Tolley. "Cabinet Ministers are professionals. My profession is not paying golf; it is on the Stock Exchange, and one of the rules is that you must not advertise. Cabinet Ministers and people like that advertise as much as they can."

Mr. Norman Birkett.—Do they? Counsel suggested that Mr. Tolley, being a public figure, must expect to be utilised by cartoonists.
Mr. Tolley.—I don't expect it, but I have to put up with it. (Laughter). The cartoon rather indicates that I go round and chew chocolate.

Mr. Edward Francis Storey, who has played for England against Scotland and America, said that on seeing the cartoon a great many people would think that Mr. Tolley was not preserving his amateur status.

A similar view was expressed by Mr. Henry Oberton Hobson, secretary of Le Touquet Golf Club. This concluded Mr. Tolley's case.

Mr. Birkett intimated that he did not propose to call any evidence.
The jury, after an absence of a quarter of an hour, returned a verdict for Mr. Tolley, awarding him £1,000 damages, as stated. Judgment was entered accordingly, a stay of execution being granted with a view to an appeal.
Mr. Birkett said that one of the grounds of appeal would be that the damages were exorbitant.



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From	Per	Due
Shanghai and Amoy	Luchow	August 22.
Australia and Manila	Tango Maru	August 22
Europe via Negapatam, (letters only)	Garbata	August 24.
London 25th July	Sin Kiang	August 24.
Shanghai and Swatow	Pres. Van Buren	August 24.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 26th July)	Kumangsang	August 25.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Emp. of Asia	August 26.
Europe via Negapatam (papers only)	Talma	August 26.
London 25th July	Korea Maru	August 26.
Canada, (Victoria B.C. 8th August), U.S.A., Japan and Shanghai	Pres. Pierce	August 27.
U.S.A. (San Francisco 31st July)	Sphinx	August 27.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Athos II	August 27.
U. S. A. (San Francisco 2nd Aug.)	Tanda	August 28.
Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai	Kashmir	August 30.
Strait	Kamo Maru	September 2.

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For	Per	Date and Time.
Japan	Tango Maru	Fri., Aug. 23, 9.30 a.m.
Fort Bayard	Wing Wo	Fri., Aug. 23, 11 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haiyang	Fri., Aug. 23, 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Hakozaki Maru	Sat., Aug. 24, K.P.O. Registration Aug. 23, 4.30 p.m. Letters Aug. 24, 9 a.m.
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., "Central and South America and Europe via Victoria, B.C."	Tyndareus	Sat., Aug. 24, G.P.O. Registration Aug. 24, 8.45 a.m. Letters Aug. 24, 9.30 a.m. (Due Marseilles 22nd September).
Manila	Pres. Van Buren	Sat., Aug. 24, 5 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Huihong	Tonkin	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Shanghai	Luchow	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Bangkok via Swatow	Kiangsu	Sat., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Horan Maru	Sun., Aug. 25, 9 a.m.
Nauru and Ocean Island	Apoc	Mon., Aug. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow and Amoy	Abul	Mon., Aug. 26, 3.30 p.m.
Amoy and Japan	Kum Sang Tucs	Mon., Aug. 27, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Athos II	Tues., Aug. 27, K.P.O. Registration Aug. 27, 10 a.m. Letters Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Shanghai and Japan	Sphinx	Tues., Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hai Ching	Tues., Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Huihong	Tonkin	Tues., Aug. 27, 1 p.m.
Manila	Emp. of Asia	Tues., Aug. 27, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow	Pres. Pierce	Tues., Aug. 27, 4.30 p.m.
Straits	Hopsang	Wed., Aug. 28, 10.30 a.m.
Manila, San Francisco, Australia and New Zealand via Thursday Island	Cremor	Thurs., Aug. 29, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Tanda	Fri., Aug. 30, K.P.O. Registration Aug. 30, 1.45 p.m. Letters Aug. 31, 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir	Sat., Aug. 31, K.P.O. Registration Aug. 31, 9 a.m. Letters Aug. 31, 9 a.m.
Amoy	Hosang	Tues., Sept. 3, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow	Yat Shing	Wed., Sept. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Wei Hai Wei	Cheong Shing	Thurs., Sept. 5, 10.30 a.m.

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

"WHERE IS VATICAN CITY?"**NEW STATE NOT KNOWN TO TELEGRAPH OFFICE.**

Paris, July 15.
The Vatican City, recognized by the Latoran Treaty, is on the map, but it is not yet on the telegraph. A certain private wished the other day to telegraph an official message from Lourdes to the Pope. He addressed his message: "Pope the Eleventh, Vatican City."

"This address is incomplete," said the telegraph official to whom the message was handed. "Where is Vatican City?"

"Vatican City!" replied the private's secretary, who had passed it in. "But the Vatican City is one of the European States, and is recognised as such by an International Treaty."

"Maybe," the telegraph clerk returned, "but we have no instructions about it. Kindly add the word 'Rome.'"

"But the Vatican City is independent of Rome."

"Then I cannot accept your message."

And the words "Rome, Italy," were added to make quite clear where the Pope lives.

"VENUS AND ADONIS."**A DUKE'S TITIAN UNDER GUARD AT EXHIBITION.**

The "Venus and Adonis" of Titian which hangs with other Old Masters on the canvas-lined walls of the Palace of Arts at the North-East Coast Exhibition is from the private collection of the Duke of Northumberland.

Art critics, envious collectors, and dealers stand before the picture and appraise it from every angle. There are whispered discussions about its value.

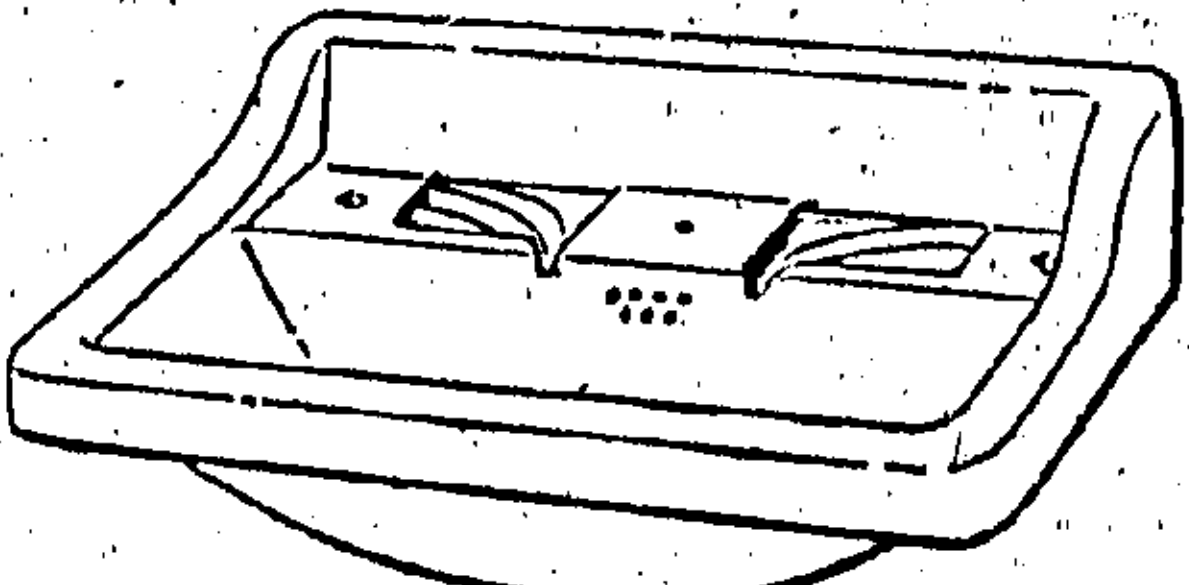
"Want that's worth a mint," an American was heard to say and later a Frenchman with shining eyes exclaimed, "C'est magnifique!"

"Venus and Adonis" is one of the most valuable pictures in the collection, which is worth well over £1,000,000.

Day and night police and exhibition officials are on guard. No visitor can find himself alone in the rooms.

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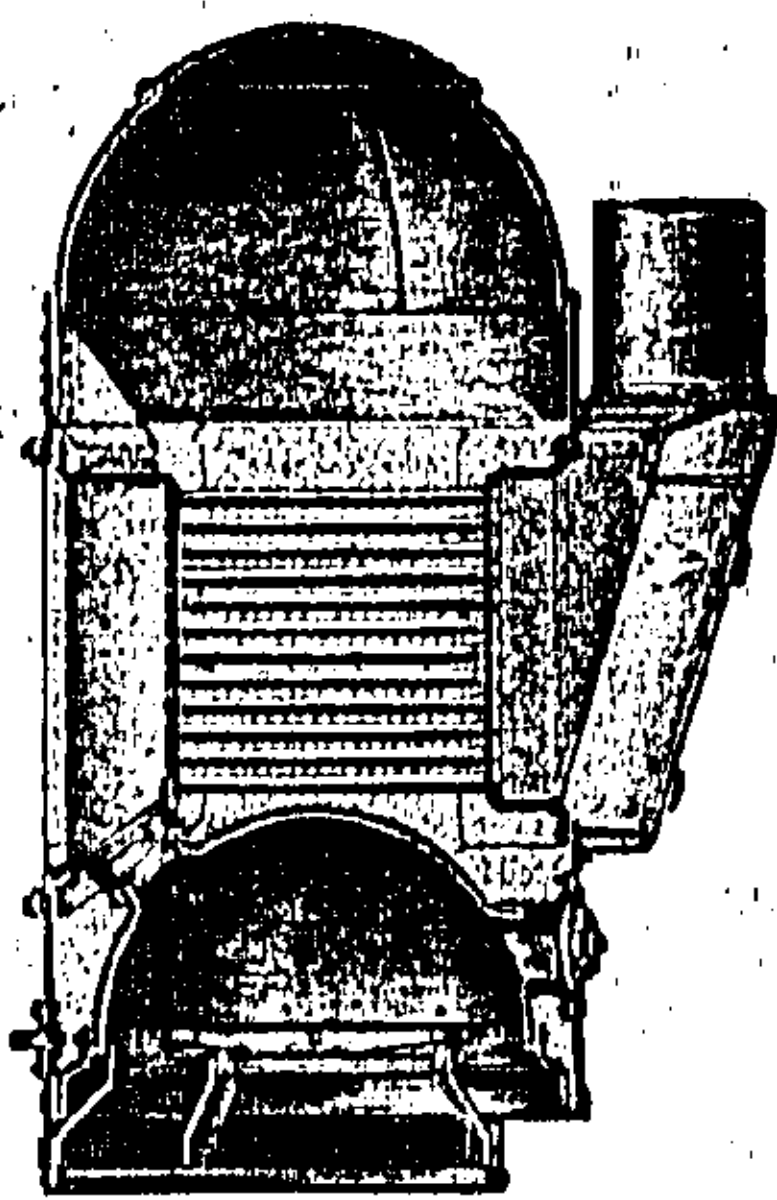
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WOMAN'S WORLD

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(Left to right) New is the spiral panel of hand-hemstitching which decorates a white crepe "dressmaker" frock. The belt is attached and the panel becomes plements below the hips. The little beige sleeveless blouse of a mustard coloured jersey suit has hand-sewn bandings making a yoke and a belt. Mustard socks are worn with beige sports shoes and a beige felt hat turns up in front. A white crepe de chine hand-made frock emphasizes its natural waistline by horizontal bandings around the hips and a jaunty white, orange and brown suede belt at normal waistline.

Matters of Interest.

FADELESS FLOWERS.

The fadeless flowers which Paris offers are still very popular. The newest idea consists of dainty little boutonnières of orange blossoms.

The natural colourings are reproduced, and the wax-like finish gives the impression of the dull lustre that is often missed in artificial flowers.

Single flowers are also worn in the lapel of the tailor suit, and sometimes the flower is pinned higher up, that is to say on the collar itself.

Such flowers as white violets, gardenias, and orchids are much liked. Two little field daisies, one white and one pink, are worn by babies, little girls, and even by the *jeune fille* with her dancing frock.

Painted Silk Ties.

Painted crepe de Chine is the latest material for the sets of tie and handkerchief which are worn to complete the new tuck-in shirt blouses. Geometrical designs in gay colours are the most popular, the silk having the figures outlined with lines of paint, and in many cases there is a bag of similar material to make a smart finish to a simple three-piece suit.

Rose Petal Evening Dress.

Roses are not considered to be at their prettiest when they are full blown, but the petals, tinted softly with shades of pink, white and mauve, and scattered over the ground, give a fascinating impression of summer sunshine. This idea is cleverly carried out in a girlish dance frock of pale pink and mauve tulle. The whole of the short, full skirt is strewn with pink rose petals, which are attached so lightly that they flutter about on the dress, and look exactly as if the wind had blown them there. The fitting bodice is embroidered with diamonds, and a full-blown pink rose, poised on one

Mirrors.

REFLECTIONS AT ALL ANGLES.

A small circular mirror which can be fixed on any smooth surface and at any desired angle is a useful innovation for home use, and for travelling and motoring. At the back is fitted an "angle" sucker. This is of rubber, but so designed that it holds fast while the mirror is tilted to any desired position. It stays like this till the mirror is straightened or tilted to another position. Motorists will find it useful for fixing to the windscreen in the most desirable position for reflecting overtaking traffic, and if it is a woman driving she will use it also as a vanity mirror when occasions demand. At home it may be fixed to the bathroom window, when it becomes the best of all shaving glasses.

shoulder, gives the finishing touch to this attractive frock.

Checked Cuff-Links.

Cuff-links of black and white enamel showing a design of bold checks make a smart finish to a blouse of white satin. These white satin blouses are the most fashionable accompaniment to a black suit, and diamond and onyx jewellery are worn to complete the scheme.

Stainless Mirror.

A useful invention for a bathroom is the stainless mirror. It has a narrow frosted margin, behind which are electric bulbs, which, besides giving a certain amount of helpful light, warm the mirror so that all condensation is prevented. It can either be sunk in the wall or hung on its face.

A Hosiery Novelty.

Inspired by the tennis socklet, the newest stocking is of the

Beauty for the Feet.

[By Lady Neish.]

The human foot should be a thing of beauty and a joy for ever. You should scarcely be conscious of your feet at all unless circumstances have forced you to stand too long or your own desire has made you walk too far.

To attain to comfort your shoes should fit, and fit exceedingly well, especially when you are very young. It is amazing how people buy shoes for children who are not there to be fitted. You may be causing lifelong discomfort and ugliness by putting children into shoes that are slightly too big or too small.

You should not only ask them if their shoes are comfortable but watch them running about and see for yourself whether they seem unconcerned they have shoes on or are always trying to kick them off.

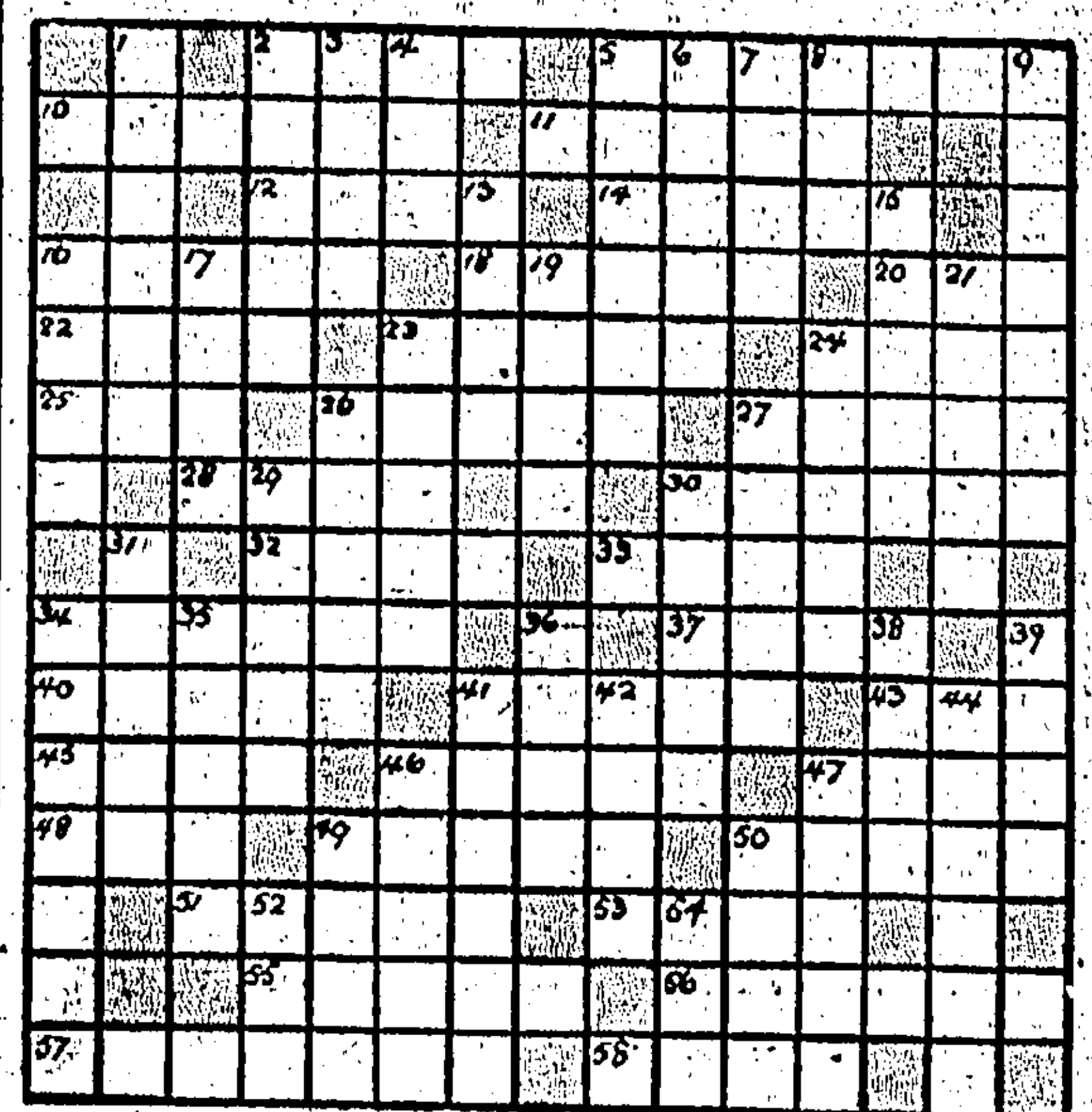
Therefore, the first thing we do to get foot comfort and foot beauty is to see that our shoes fit and, even if we cannot afford to pay a great deal for them, to buy the best we can afford.

popular nude shade in mercerised flax, which is the nearest representation of a bare leg. Just above the ankle the flax changes to wool in a deeper shade, and there is a fancy band of silk between the two to complete the illusion that an ankle sock is being worn.

Peacock Electric Lamp.

An elaborate electric lamp designed to stand in the middle of a table takes the form of a peacock with his tail fully spread. Made in brass and standing in a bowl, the bird's tail is ornamented with dozens of red, green, and blue beads, while two electric bulbs are concealed behind, so that when switched on the light shines in coloured rays through the beads.

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- 20 Mischievous child.
- 22 Hippie.
- 23 Tumults.
- 24 Wicked.
- 25 Exist.
- 26 Church proclamations.
- 27 Writing board.
- 28 Snare.
- 30 Climbs.
- 32 Person's decease.
- 33 Pronoun.
- 34 Cut.
- 37 Uncover.
- 40 Bay window.
- 41 Extra.
- 43 Age.
- 45 Heavenly orb.
- 46 Portion.
- 47 Decline.
- 48 Number.
- 49 Commence.
- 50 Analyse.
- 51 Lukewarm.
- 53 Chimney deposit.
- 55 Parts played.
- 56 Complaint.
- 57 Strove.
- 58 Flat bottomed vessel.

Down

- 1 Defensive arms.
- 2 Having tides.
- 3 Burden.
- 4 Small.
- 5 Discharges.
- 6 Drags.
- 7 Ceremony.
- 8 Anger.

9 Iron loops.

- 13 One of two alike.
- 15 Emulate.
- 16 Nine inches.
- 17 Worry.
- 19 Sharpen.
- 21 Small particles.
- 23 Swift.
- 24 Rascal.
- 26 Disorder.
- 27 Escape.
- 29 Wanderer.
- 30 Const.
- 31 Bill of Fare.
- 34 Dress.
- 35 Laughing.
- 36 Long beam.
- 38 Close.
- 39 Hearty.
- 41 Having shadows.
- 42 Crafts.
- 44 Mutiny.
- 46 Stop.
- 47 Incurring death.
- 49 Disgrace.
- 50 Rod.
- 52 Sin.
- 54 Open.

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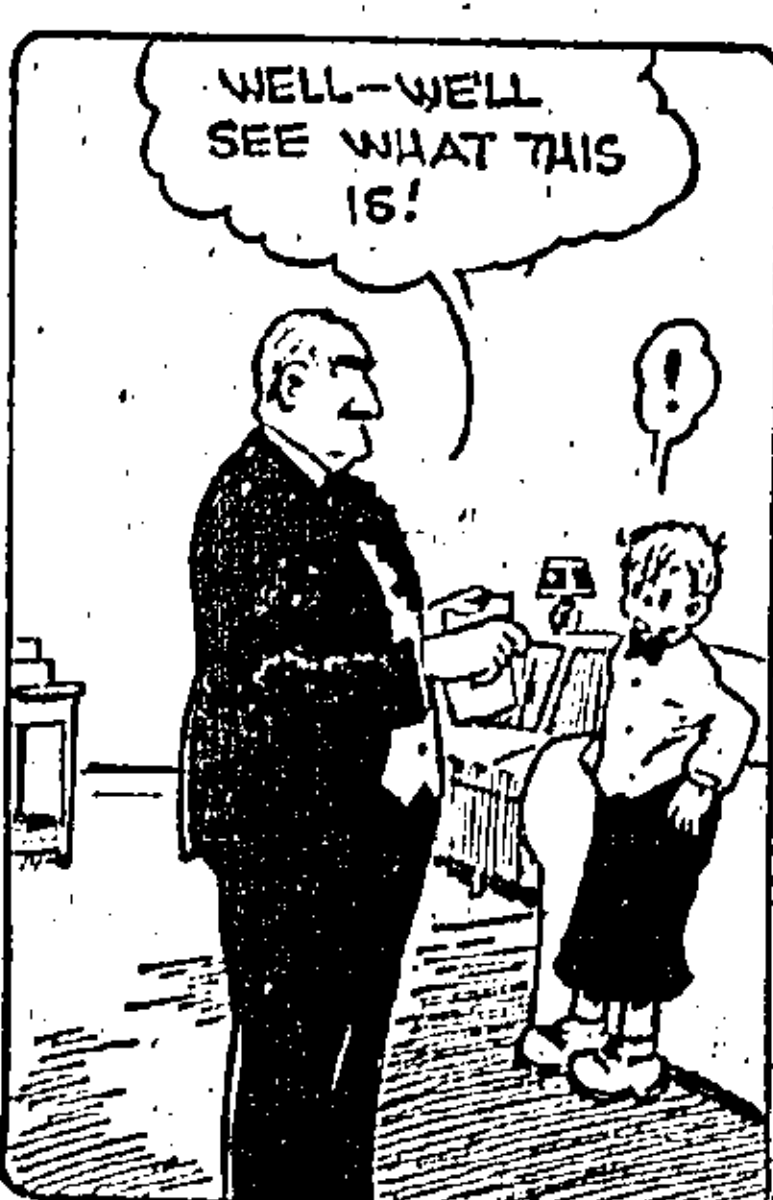
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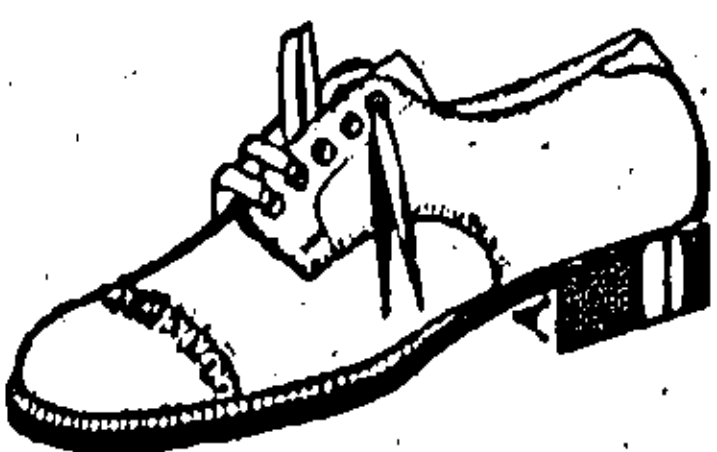
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CHINA'S PROBLEM.

At a moment when China is facing a serious threat of war, it may seem somewhat inappropriate to refer to the measures recently decided upon for the disbandment of superfluous troops, but the situation is set out in such detail in a manifesto issued at the close of the Nanking conference a fortnight ago that some comment seems called for. Mr. Soong, it will be recalled, decided to throw in his hand as Finance Minister when he realised the full extent of the military burden, but later, on the persuasion of Marshal Chiang Kai-shek, he agreed to remain in office. Despite the decisions of the Disbandment Conference, however, his task appears just as hopeless as he first conceived it to be, for we can see no evidence to support his hopes of being able to produce a satisfactory national budget. It is certain that the incidents of the past few weeks are not likely to cause any lessening of the military burden—quite the reverse, in fact.

As is well known, the Disbandment Conference decided that the existing Army, reckoned at about two million men, shall be reduced to 800,000. Even this figure is admitted, in the manifesto, to exceed the standing Army of any other country in the world, and its maintenance will require some \$200,000,000 annually, or approximately 60 per cent. of the national revenue. Under present strength, military expenditure absorbs some \$46,000,000 more than the Government's annual revenue, and this circumstance is cited as necessitating the imposition of exorbitant taxes. No wonder is it that the manifesto candidly concedes that "the Government is now on the verge of bankruptcy." The point to be stressed, however, is that it is one thing for disbandment conferences to decide on wholesale reduction (amounting in this instance to more than half the present strength of the Army), and quite another to enforce the decision. The references to this aspect of the problem, in the manifesto, are decidedly naive. Answering the argument that disbandment conferences must prove futile unless the Central Government can enforce its orders, the authors of the manifesto assert:—"Such crises are doubtless unwelcome, but the fact that the fundamental principle governing our Party and Government is that of democracy and centralisation of power. All important Government policies are decided after careful collective de-

liberations at conference, but once a policy has been adopted, it becomes incumbent upon all to adhere to it. Any Government organ whose duty it is to enforce such a policy must see to it that it is not violated, for only in this way can centralisation of power be demonstrated." Quite so, but we are still left in the dark as to the manner in which the Central Government is to secure compliance with its orders. It will assuredly take much more than the issuing of official edicts to induce various war lords to surrender their military backing.

Assuming, however, that the Government order is to be obeyed, what is to happen to the million disbanded soldiers? Here again the manifesto very glibly disposes of the issue by stating that as the majority of these men are peasants, "the question is reduced to the task of sending them back to their farms." For this purpose, we are told, the disbanded men are to be allowed repatriation and travelling expenses of \$30 each. It is added that once the troops are disbanded, the surplus revenue can be used for various reconstruction enterprises, "and the problem of employing the disbanded soldiers as well as the general unemployment question will be automatically solved." Optimism could not well go further. We suggest, however, that this problem of China's military incubus cannot be got rid of merely by paying the unwanted troops \$30 each. Such a scheme, if put into force, would merely flood the country with new bandits and make its last state far worse than the first. The fact is, of course, that this curse of militarism has grown out of the perpetuation of the feudal system in China, and that it still proves the biggest problem with which her new leaders have to grapple. The Disbandment Conference, beyond putting a few resolutions on paper, appears to have done nothing tangible towards solving the question. Nor do we see any immediate prospect of its decisions being put into force.

The South Africans.

While it ended in something like a triumph, so far as batting went, for England, the principal honours of the last of the Test matches belong to South Africa. They failed in their greatest ambition, that of breaking a long run of non-success in Test matches in England, but they have every reason to be proud of their performance against some of the finest bowling in England, even though the effort appears to have inspired Hobbs, Sutcliffe and Hammond to brilliance at a crisis. Nevertheless, the South African cricketers have never been nearer to victory than they were at lunch-time on the last day and genuine congratulations must be offered, for their cricket in this and every big game during their tour. As a very youthful and inexperienced side, the Springboks were regarded as small fry on their first appearance in England, but they rapidly won a place in the affection of the cricketing public, which holds them in great esteem not only for their skill, spirit and enterprise, but also for the very happy manner in which they play the game. They have proved themselves a very good team if a very young one, and with the experience of the present tour, now rapidly drawing to a close, there is no reason why they should not develop into an exceptional side in three or four years, at least good enough to make the Old Country sit up and take notice. England, of course, will welcome the blossoming out of these gallant youngsters from South Africa, safe in the knowledge that while we have our Sutcliffes and Hammonds, the reputation of England is not likely to suffer. Sutcliffe seems to pass from strength to strength. His two separate hundreds, allied with a similar performance against Australia in 1924-25, represent a feat without a parallel in Test cricket. We imagine by this time he has effectively disposed of the popular illusion that he needs his partner, Hobbs, to stimulate him to greatness.

DAY BY DAY.

RIGHT PRINCIPLES WILL BY NO
MEANS SUIT WRONG PRACTICES.—
Spence.

Three plague-infected rats have been discovered, according to yesterday's return, issued by the Medical Officer of Health.

Senders of telegrams are informed that, owing to faulty cable connexion, telegrams to and from Shanghai and beyond are subject to delay.

An intimation received from the Colonial Secretariat to-day states that quarantine restrictions imposed against Saigon on account of cholera and plague have been removed.

Amongst the passengers who left by the Empress of Russia were Major R. H. Campbell, Capt. and Mrs. R. C. Strachey, Capt. F. Maddox, Mr. S. H. Ross, Mr. J. R. Johnstone, and Mr. John Lake.

Mr. Torcat and his troupe of 60 game roosters will shortly make an appearance at the Queen's Theatre, according to a special advertisement in this issue. Mr. Torcat is now in Shanghai where his entertainment is meeting with great success.

A charge of inflicting grievous bodily harm with a chopper to a Chinese in Yu Chow Street, Shamshui, was brought against the tenant of No. 21, Yu Chow Street, before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning. On the application of Sub-Inspector Hoare, the defendant was remanded till Monday pending the discharge from hospital of the complainant.

WARSHIPS IN PORT.

The following warships are now in port:

Basin.—H.M.S. Tamar.
In Dock.—Submarine L19.
No. 7 Buoy.—H.M.S. Sandwich.
No. 10 Buoy.—H.M.S. Stormcloud.
No. 13 Buoy.—H.M.S. Sterling.
Foreign.—U.S.S. Guam and Chinese Kwang Kum.

HAIPHONG FLIGHT RECALLED.

FRENCH AIRMAN RECEIVES AN HONOUR.

We learn that M. Robbe, the aviator who flew to Hongkong from Haiphong on May 18th last, has been promoted to the rank of Officer of the Legion of Honour, in recognition of his aerial work in Indo-China and the Far East. M. Robbe is the Deputy Director of a big French aviation company, with headquarters in Paris, and he has been keenly interested in the development of commercial flying in the Far East.

EXCHANGE RATES.

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Paris	123.875
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Brussels	34.805
Geneva	25
Amsterdam	12.10 1/4
Milan	22.055
Berlin	20.355
Stockholm	18.10
Copenhagen	18.215
Oslo	18.205
Vienna	34.42
Prague	103 1/2
Helsingfors	102 1/2
Madrid	38
Lisbon	108.20
Athens	375
Bucharest	817 1/4
Rio	47 1/4
Bombay	1/16, 13/16
Shanghai	2/4 1/4
Hongkong	1/11 1/2
Yokohama	1/11 1/2, 5/32
Silver (spot)	24.5/16
Silver (forward)	24.7/16

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ALLEGED CHOPPER ATTACK.

CHARGE OF INJURING A MARRIED COUPLE.

An application for a week's formal remand was made by Detective Inspector Fallon in the case in which an unemployed Chinese was charged before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, with assaulting a married couple with a chopper at No. 70, Wai Ching Street, occasioning them bodily harm. It was stated that according to the certificate from the Medical Officer of the Kwong Wah Hospital, the complainants would not be out of hospital until next week. In making the application, the police opposed bail, although the prosecuting officer mentioned that he did not think the defendant would ask for bail. The case was accordingly adjourned for one week.

RUSSIAN BISHOP'S VISIT.

MUCH APPRECIATED BY THE LOCAL COMMUNITY.

Amongst the passengers who departed for Australia by the s.s. Changie was the Right Rev. Bishop Melchiodus, of the Russian Orthodox Church. He arrived here from Shanghai by the s.s. Malwa and is proceeding to Brisbane under orders from the Russian Orthodox Mission in Peking. During his stay in the Colony, the Bishop officiated at services at the European Y.M.C.A., kindly loaned by the Secretary, Mr. J. H. Hunt, O.B.E. These services were largely attended by the local Russian community, and as most of these had not been able to attend services of their own Church for some considerable time the opportunities were greatly appreciated.

In addition to officiating at these services, the Bishop performed the burial rites of the late Mrs. O. Kooznetsoff, who recently passed away at the Kowloon Hospital, whilst he also baptised the baby son of a local Russian lady.

The local Russian community will long remember the visit of the Bishop, and the esteem in which he is held was expressed yesterday morning at the Kowloon Pier, where there was a very large gathering, comprising practically every member of the community to wish him bon voyage.

SMALL BUT NOT YOUNG.

RETURNED BANISHEE SENT TO PRISON.

A Chinese of very small stature appeared before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith, at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning, on a charge of returning from banishment after having been deported for a period of ten years on October 9, 1921. His Worship remarked that the defendant looked very young to have been banished.

Detective Sergeant Fowle replied that he was very small but was not very young.

It was stated that the defendant was found at No. 2, Chung Lok Street during a raid for arms.

In reply to the Bench, Detective Sergeant Fowle said that no arms were found on the premises.

When asked if he wanted to say why he returned to the Colony, the defendant said that he did not know the seriousness of the offence. He had returned to see some friends. Sentence of eight months' hard labour was imposed.

PARTIAL COLLAPSE OF HOUSE.

PART OF ROOFS FALLS INTO BEDROOM.

Shortly after ten o'clock last night, a partial collapse occurred to the roof of No. 7, Chanery Lane, a three-storeyed building situated within close proximity to the Prison.

A large heap of debris fell into a bedroom, and reduced a bed to a mass of twisted iron. Fortunately, the bed was unoccupied, and no-one was injured.

The tenants of the house, greatly alarmed by the suddenness of the mishap, began to move out, but, reassured a few minutes later, when it was seen that the collapse was confined only to a portion of the roof, the occupants of the lower floors decided to adjourn moving out until this morning.

The attention of the police and the building authorities has been drawn to the mishap, and they have advised that the whole building be vacated.

LAZY YOUNG INDIAN.

BEFORE COURT ON CHARGE OF VAGRANCY.

Abdul Shahmad (16), an Indian, was charged before Mr. T. M. Hazlerig, at the Central Police Court this morning, with being a vagrant.

Detective Sergeant Whant stated that the accused was given a job in the Indian Guard's office after his arrival here, but threw it up as soon as he got a little money. In spite of his age, he was extremely childish in his behaviour, resembling in that respect a boy of ten, rather than a lad of 16. He had been loafing around until he was completely destitute. The police proposed to send him back to India as soon as sanction was received from the Governor.

The magistrate said that as it would not take long to secure the sanction, he would only impose the short sentence of 15 days' hard labour.

The Very Idea!

A ceremony reminiscent of the plot of the "Garden of Allah" took place at Milan recently when Prince Paterno Cathello of Biscari, who was the previous day ordained as a priest, bestowed the veil upon his wife, Donna Angela Auteri. Henceforth he will be Father Ignatius and she, Sister Maria of Jesus.

The couple were married twenty-five years ago, but after more than a score of years together they decided to retire to the religious life.

Mr. Cairns, the Thames Magistrate—Consider what you learn in the marriage state; self-control, discipline, and unselfishness.

Solicitor at Kingston-on-Thames—Was the prisoner badly drunk or just drunk? Doctor—Definitely drunk.

Willesden Woman—My girl of 19 is afraid of her father. Magistrate—Nonsense. No girl of 19 is afraid of her father. In these days.

Solicitor at Penge—Were you called to the scene of the fracas? Constable—No, I found it.

A writer says "A marriage seldom falls when husband and wife have something in common to laugh at." There's always the photo of the wedding group, for instance.

[A hippopotamus was produced as a mascot at a recent Inter-University meeting in the United States.]

Some people keep a parrot and some a marmoset. A dog or cat will satisfy another as a pet.

But of all delightful creatures I maintain by every test, The gentle hippopotamus is best.

No other living creature his possessor can beguile With such a frank and kindly and ingratiating smile. And though the cost of feeding him is certainly immense, His affection will repay you the expense.

Oh! I'd love to walk down Bond-street with my hippo on a string, Attracting more attention than the latest dusky King, While the cameras were clicking and policemen clear the way, I am sure I'd spend a very happy day.

Some specialise in crocodiles and others dote on snakes, But though doubtless well intentioned these are apt to make mistakes. So I'd rather strike a note that's quite original in tone With a hippopotamascot of my own.

A tale in J. J. Bell's "Hoots"—the latest "canny tales" book published by Valentine and Sons (Ltd.):

In a smoke room a number of men were discussing the merits of different brands of cigarettes, while in a corner a solitary middle-aged person sat silent.

At last one of the talkers turned to him, with a courteous question—"Excuse me, sir, but if you are a smoker, may I ask what brand of cigarettes you happen to fancy?"

The reply came promptly—"What brand ha'e ye got?"

A good story concerning the surplus American army stores taken over in a weak moment by the French Government is told in Mr. John Pollock's recent book, "Paris and Parisians." Among these stores was a large quantity of wooden huts. No doubt these might have been utilised in another country, but it is not in accordance with French habits to live in wooden houses. What then could be done with the American huts? "They were turned over to the administration of the national match factory, matches being in France a State monopoly. And the administration had manufactured some million matches out of the huts when it was discovered that the wood of which they were made was fireproof." Is it any wonder that certain members of the Chamber should feel slightly irritated about the whole business?

WATER LEVELS.

FOR WEST, NORTH AND EAST RIVERS.

The following table, compiled by the Board of Conservancy Works of Kwangtung, shows the water levels in English feet on the West, North and East Rivers on the dates named:

	Aug. 20	Aug. 21
Shuihing	25.8	25.7
Taiynguen	12.9	12.4
Shamshui	17.6	—
Shedlung	7.0	7.2

SO-CALLED BRANDY SWINDLE.**DILUTED SPIRITS AND COLOURED WATER.****MAN SENT TO PRISON.**

Two bottles of what purported to be Hennessy Brandy figured in a case which was mentioned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning when a Chinese was charged with attempting to defraud a woman at Yu Chow Street, Shamshui, by attempting to sell her the bottles, which he alleged contained good brandy.

The defendant denied that he tried to sell the bottles to the complainant and said that she offered to purchase them from him for \$2. He refused to sell them.

Detective Sergeant Meadows told his Worship that the complainant was in a friend's shop in Yu Chow Street yesterday afternoon when the defendant offered to sell the two bottles of brandy which were wrapped in a piece of newspaper. He asked for \$3 for the two bottles.

A week previously one of the inmates of the shop had been victimised by being sold two bottles which were supposed to contain brandy and at once became suspicious. While the complainant engaged the defendant in conversation this man went for a policeman who on arriving at the shop saw the defendant rush out, leaving the brandy in the shop. He was arrested by the constable.

Evidence was given by the complainant and the man who called the policeman. During the constable's testimony the defendant intimated that the brandy was genuine as he himself had consumed the contents of one bottle.

His Worship remarked that he did not understand that the defendant's defence was that the brandy was genuine.

Mr. H. A. Taylor, Government Monopoly Analyst, stated, in evidence, that the bottles contained diluted spirits and water coloured to represent brandy.

His Worship: That is there is alcohol?

Mr. Taylor: Yes.

In reply to his Worship witness said that the liquid was not sweetened. Witness said that it might be palatable to Chinese.

The bottles, continued witness, were all sealed but not with Hennessy seals. One of the bottles had a Martell cork. The strength was slightly weaker than brandy.

Asked if the liquid in the bottles would have harmful effects witness replied that he could not say, but a person expecting it to be brandy might be upset by the fluid.

Defendant said he could not say if the brandy was genuine or not, but he had been given three bottles by a friend and he himself had drunk the contents of one bottle.

His Worship registered a conviction. The defendant had a previous conviction for larceny in 1926 when he was sentenced to six weeks' hard labour.

His Worship said it was a serious offence because a lot of people purchased brandy for medicinal purposes and if they got a bottle of "this rubbish" palmed on to them it was rather a serious matter.

The defendant was sentenced to three months' hard labour.

Defendant: Can I pay a fine?

His Worship (emphatically): No.

MR. JUSTICE McCARDIE ON STERILISATION.**OUTSPOKEN COMMENT IN COURT.**

Birmingham, July 14. Mr. Justice MacCardie, at Birmingham Assizes, to-day, commented earnestly upon the question of mental defectives, after a woman, alleged to be so afflicted, and who had had eight illegitimate children, had been brought before him.

In passing sentence on the woman of six months' imprisonment in the second division, the Judge said: "The children as they grow up may become the parents of other illegitimate and feeble-minded children, and so increase the appalling figures that are known to those who study these subjects."

Following the appearance before him of an alleged feeble-minded youth, the Judge said: "I have long come to the conclusion that the people should face, and face at once, the need for the introduction into this country of a system of sterilisation. I know it is said that speakers refrain from dealing with this subject, first because the public is unprepared for it, secondly because the speakers are too modest to deal with it in adequate fashion; but in my view, sterilisation should be introduced into this country."

FRENCHMAN WITH PISTOL.**FINED \$25 AND ARMS CONFISCATED.****SEQUEL TO A RAID.**

Mr. Charles Gerer, a foreigner residing at No. 46, Nathan Road, was summoned before Mr. T. S. Whyte Smith at the Kowloon Magistracy this morning for being in possession of an automatic pistol and 19 rounds of ammunition.

The defendant, speaking in broken English, admitted the charge and said he was not aware of the local regulations, as he had not been here long.

In reply to his Worship, defendant said he had resided in Hongkong for 2½ years.

His Worship asked if the defendant did not see the notices posted on ships.

The defendant replied in the negative.

Answering his Worship, Detective Inspector Dorling, who prosecuted, said that some of the constables or ships which seldom called in at Hongkong had no notices posted on board. Most of the local shipping companies were supplied with notices, but the police could not say whether they were posted in all ships. He knew, however, that all the big ships had notices displayed.

The defendant said he arrived in Hongkong on a French mail steamer.

Detective Inspector Dorling intimated that he knew that that particular ship had notices posted.

The prosecuting officer said he had been instructed not to press for a heavy penalty, but to ask for the confiscation of the pistol and ammunition.

The arms and ammunition were found in a wardrobe in defendant's house.

His Worship:—Had you information?

Detective Inspector Dorling:—No, not about the arms. We were there for another purpose altogether.

The defendant remarked to his Worship that he had had the pistol for the past eight years.

A fine of \$25 was imposed, the pistol and ammunition being ordered to be confiscated.

K.O.S.B. DESERTERS ON TRIAL.*(Continued from Page 1.)*

Lieut. Welch then indicated that his next witness would be the accused Private Smith, who was accordingly called.

Smith, in answer to questions from Lieut. Welch bore out O'Donnell's statements.

In answer to the President of the Court, O'Donnell said that he did not think of the risk he was running in wearing civilian clothes. He realised that it would have been far better for him to have been found in uniform.

Lieut. Scott-Elliott then read out the accused's record of service. He had been absent without leave three times during the last 12 months, and four times since enlistment. He had been sentenced to 112 days' imprisonment by a District Court Martial on December 12, 1926, for desertion, but had been released after serving one month.

Both accused were not acquitted, and sentence will be pronounced in due course.

DAUGHTER'S ORDEAL.**FINDS STREET ACCIDENT VICTIM TO BE HER MOTHER.**

A story of a mother being run over when going to visit her son's grave was told at an inquest at Lewisham, S.E., on Mrs. Ellen Pinnock, aged 61, of Mornington-road, Deptford, who was run over and killed in Lewisham High-road, New Cross, by a brewers' motor lorry.

Miss Maud Elizabeth Pinnock said that her mother had lost two sons in eight months, and had left home to go to Kensal Rise cemetery to visit the grave of one.

She followed, and was looking for her mother near an omnibus stopping place when she saw a crowd, and heard someone say, "some poor devil has been run over."

Miss Pinnock continued, "I thought it was a man, but then found it was a woman and at last realised it was my mother."

Miss Pinnock broke down, and had to be led out of Court.

The jury, returning a verdict of accidental death, said that while the driver did what he considered to be right, his judgment was not the best in the circumstances.

Major Whitehouse, the Coroner, told the driver that he would be wiser in future to stop in similar circumstances, even if he smushed his lorry or was late in his delivery.

MUSICAL JOTTINGS.

Segovia—The Queen's Hall Proms—The Queen's Hall Charwomen—Mid-Victorian Anecdotes.

[BY "ALLEGRO."]

The date of Segovia's recital at the Theatre Royal has been altered to Saturday, September 7th, instead of the date in October mentioned provisionally, as this artist is coming out via Suez and is starting his Far Eastern tour at Manila and Hongkong. I believe that this guitarist is a "one-man-show," being capable of entertaining audiences single-handed for a couple of hours without the assistance of a pianist. His programme consists of three groups of pieces—firstly a set of five solos by eighteenth and early nineteenth century composers; secondly a Suite of Bach (Prelude, Allemande, Fugue, Courante, Sarabande and Gavotte), followed by a Minuet of Haydn; and lastly a Sonatina in three movements, specially composed for Segovia by Torroba, and two modern Spanish works by Granados and Albeniz. The Hongkong Musical Society has circulated its members regarding this recital which is the only one that will be given by Segovia in this Colony.

The Queen's Hall Promenade Concert programme for the August season reveal one or two interesting innovations. The number of evenings given over to special composers has been increased to such an extent that there are only nine (Saturday) concerts which have varied programmes. There are, as usual, eight Wagner nights and nine Beethoven or Mozart and Beethoven nights; four for Brahms, four for Bach and Handel, three for Mozart and Haydn and three for Mozart and Schubert. Tchaikovsky is honoured with three special concerts. Finally, all the Thursday evening programmes are devoted to the works of British composers, at which nine new compositions are to be heard for the first time. Naturally this specialising restricts the opportunities of performance of works which come under no special category and among popular ones which are missing this year are the Grieg and Rachmaninoff Piano Concertos. The five Beethoven, two Brahms, Liszt, Schumann and Tchaikovsky Concertos appear as usual, also three of Mozart's and two of Bach's Old Promenade favourites appear, as soloists, among the pianists being Harold Cragton, Harriet Cohen, Myra Hess, Johanne Stockmarr, Katharine Goodson, Irene Scharrer, and Solomon. Lamond plays the "Emperor" concerto; he has done this often enough at the Symphony Concerts, but I do not remember him as a Prom soloist. Among the violinists are Isalde Menges, Marie Hall, Jelly d'Aranyi, Albert Sammons and Caterall.

And of what use is any of this information to us who are marooned in Hongkong and cannot enjoy any of the musical items commented upon? Well, most of us have at some time or other spent a pre-war shilling or a post-war two-hob and enjoyed every minute of a Henry Wood concert, and it needs now only the mention of Solomon playing the Tchaikovsky or Miriam Licette singing a Mozart Aria to conjure up memories of some of those happy occasions—perhaps an evening with another fellow since killed in the

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INDIAN ALTERS PASSPORT.**SAID SINGAPORE WAS TOO HOT FOR HIM.****SENT TO PRISON.**

Siri Babu, an Indian, was charged before Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg, at the Central Police Court this morning, with arriving in the Colony without a valid passport.

Detective-Sergeant Whant said the accused came from Bangkok, having in his possession an emergency certificate issued by H.B.M.'s Minister permitting him to go only to India by way of Singapore. The word "Singapore" had been crudely altered by the accused to read as "Hongkong," and in view of this, the police asked that a serious view be taken of the case.

Mr. Hazlerigg (to accused):—Why did you alter your certificate?

It was made out for Singapore and altered to Hongkong.

Accused:—I did not like to go to Singapore. It is too warm there, and I always became sick.

Serjt. Whant said the man was destitute, and had no money.

His Worship:—In that case, it is no good keeping you here too long. It is best to send him away as soon as possible.

Accused was sentenced to two months' imprisonment, it being stated that arrangements would be made to send him back to India immediately after he had completed his sentence.

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CAGE FOR BOYCOTT LEADER.**DRASTIC PUNISHMENT FOR AN AGITATOR.****SHANGHAI PARADE.**

Shanghai, Aug. 17. The bitter has been bitten, Zao Tso-ling, ex-chief of the Chapei investigation department of the defunct Anti-Japanese Association, has been arrested by the National Salvation Association. Chief Zao is to be punished. The Shanghai special district Kuomintang has decided that Zao will be paraded through Nantao and Chapei after which he will be placed on exhibition in a large wooden cage. The National Salvation Association has concurred in the punishment.

Zao's days of authority and happy chieftainship have ended. To-day he will be led out from one of the small cells in the Bureau of Public Safety at Chapei, fitted out with a nice new placard and paraded through the streets of the districts over which he once held undisputed authority.

When the parade is over Zao will be taken to a prominent place in the busiest district of Chapei and there bundled into a cage where he will spend the remainder of the day until the time comes for him to be taken to Nantao. There the same performance will be repeated.

The irony of the whole proceedings is the fact that one of the very cages devised by Chief Zao for the punishment of Chinese disobeying the Anti-Japanese Boycott Association will be used as his prison to-day and to-morrow. Zao was known throughout the native districts as an oppressor. His high-handed methods in dealing with Chinese caught trading in Japanese goods during the boycott movement gained him scores of enemies. Many innocent merchants, were placed in cages similar to the one to be used for Zao's incarceration to-day. But now the table has been turned.

Zao has been found guilty of charges of bribery. Evidence shows that during his position as Chief of the Preventative Department he accepted bribes for passing Japanese goods. He has been ordered to undergo the same punishment previously meted out to some of his victims.

WAR BOOK SEIZED.**CHICAGO AND "ALL QUIET ON THE WESTERN FRONT."**

New York, July 14. The Chicago customs collector has seized all copies of "All Quiet on the Western Front," which were printed in London, containing passages which were expurgated in the American edition.

The seizure was made on the grounds that the British edition infringes the copyright obtained by the American publishers, according to the collector. When the American edition appeared last May the local publishers announced they had made certain deletions of "robust" passages which were included in the London translation, because "they were too much of the old free and easy Anglo-Saxon order."

discovered several anecdotes regarding this worthy, who was a well-known gentleman in the middle of last century. It is recorded of him that, as a child, when suffering the greatest pains from teething, an air on the pianoforte was sure to stop his crying; and a year or two later he would remark that it thundered in G, or the wind whistled in D, or the clock chimed in B minor. When he was five, he occasioned much merriment to two young ladies owing to his remark about his father's cold: "Only think, papa blows his nose in G."

The biographies told among other things of a double-buss player who excused himself from rehearsal because he had "mis-laid his instrument," of a choir singer who, charged with spoiling the service, replied: "No, it was the organ, Sir Frederick, that played out of tune," of a lady who, having heard Ouseley play the overture to "Esther," thanked him for "that beautiful chorus of Handel's" and, being corrected, replied: "Indeed, I think I ought to know, considering my great-aunt once heard Handel play on the organ." I like the sound of an after-dinner entertainment provided for Ouseley, consisting of the "Hallelujah Chorus" arranged for three flutes; but it was probably eclipsed by the musical welcome at a vicarage where he was greeted by six musical boxes all playing at once.

If you want to know anything further about Ouseley and his musical experiences, Blackwell's book-store at Oxford will supply books by Joyce and Havergal which abound in anecdotes of the type quoted. Although they are eighty years or so old, many of the remarks might easily have been made by so-called "musical people" of the present day.

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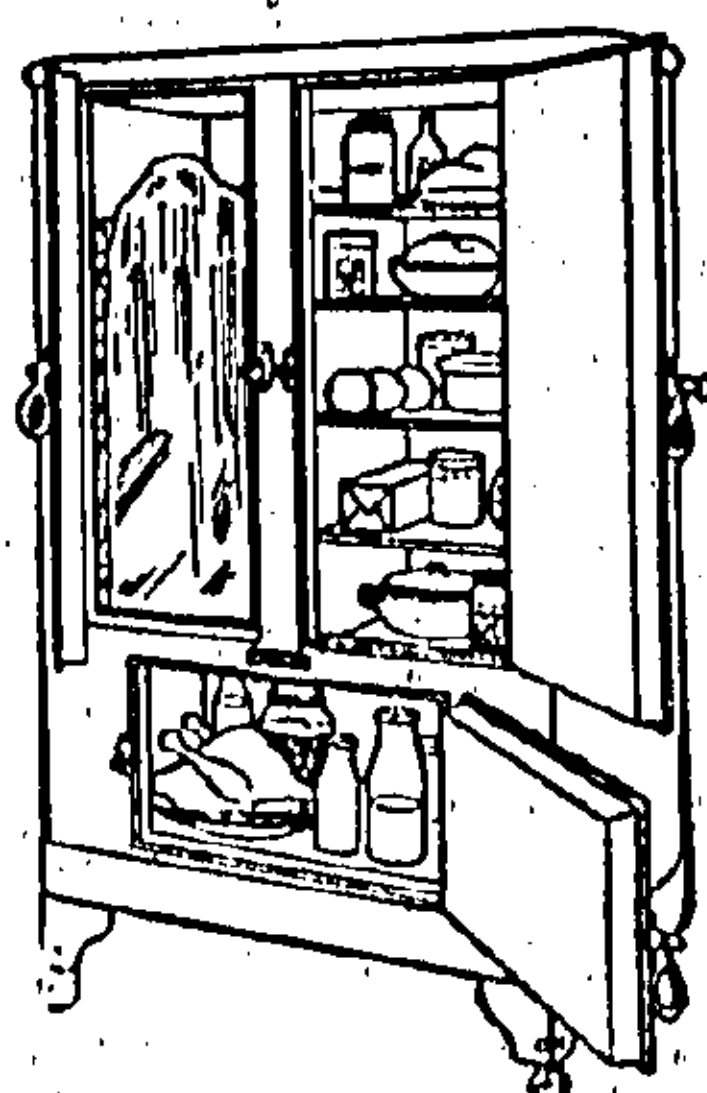
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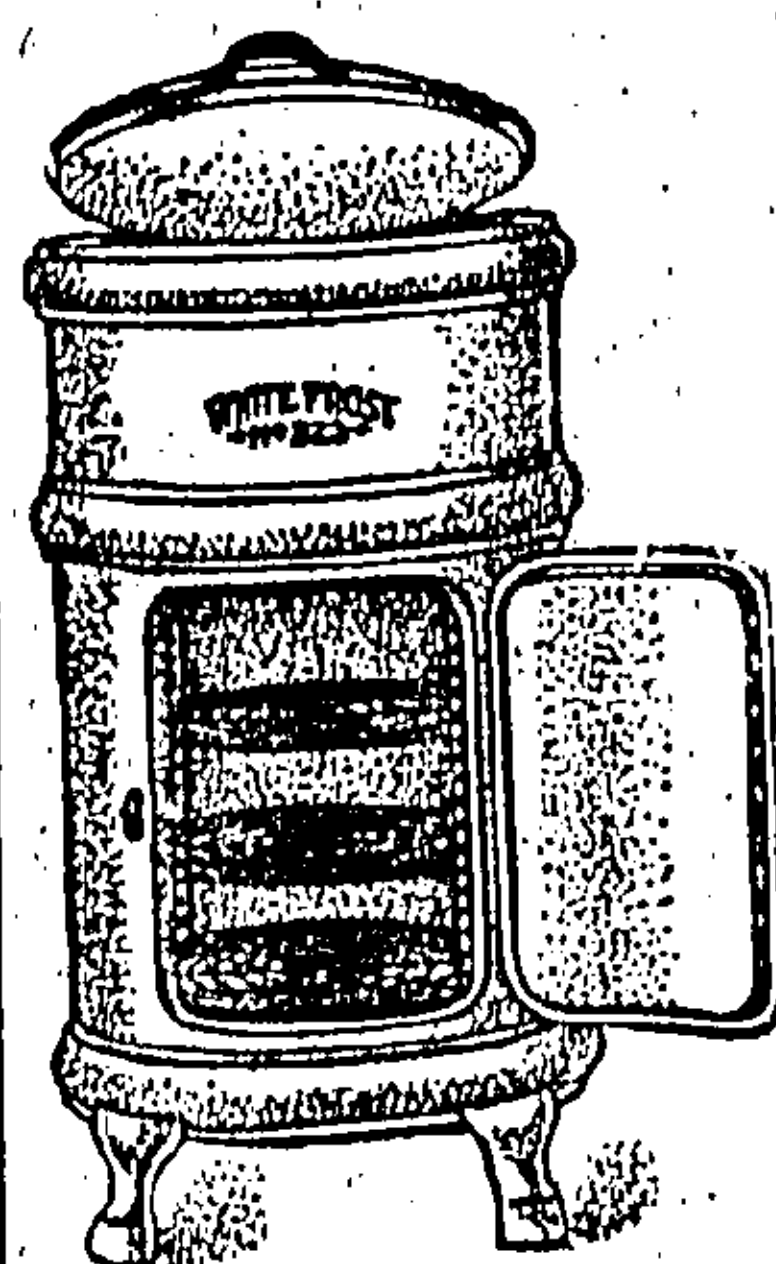
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RUSSIAN ATTACK MANCHULI.

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now at Hailar, has been ordered to Manchuli immediately, where the Chinese military commanders are urgently requesting artillery and cavalry.

A Harbin message says the Chinese are still interned. The Soviet officials who resigned from the service of the Chinese Eastern Railway.—*Reuter*.

A Japanese, Ban.

Mukden, Aug. 21.

Chinese troops are not being allowed to cross the Japanese station at Changchun. The Chinese are now building a track connecting the Kirin-Changchun railway with the C. E. R.

The Japanese garrison at Changchun has now been increased to ten thousand, and a further increase is expected as temporary barracks were erected recently.—*Reuter*.

A Russian Attack.

Tokyo, Aug. 21.

The *Nichiichi* and *Asahi* Manchuli correspondents report that Soviet armoured trains yesterday appeared within five hundred yards of the Chinese position at Manchuli and disintegrated 400 infantry men, who deployed and opened fire under cover of artillery fire. The Chinese troops replied with howitzers. The Soviet troops retired after an hour's engagement, during which the Chinese suffered 30 casualties, but captured a number of Soviet guns and ammunition.—*Reuter*.

PROPOSED "FORUM MUSSOLINI."

ENSURING ATHLETIC
FITNESS.

Rome, July 14.

At the foot of Monte Mario, which flanks the North-Western boundary of Rome, there is a prehistoric amphitheatre, an amphitheatre to seat 130,000 spectators, which, together with stadiums and gymnasiums, all faced with marble, will be the greatest construction of the kind since the days of the Roman Empire.

But, instead of being erected to provide amusement for the populace at the expense of the athletes, this modern Colosseum is being built to ensure the athletic fitness of the populace itself. It is the seat of the Fascist Academy of Physical Education—an institution dedicated to the gymnastic instruction of the Blackshirt "Avanguardisti" and Balilla.

THE AMERICA CUP CHALLENGE.

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defenders are) must be constructed in accordance with Lloyd's rules for the construction and classification of yachts. This decision is of great importance and wide effect. It means that no freak yacht or "racing machine" can ever again be built for an important event. British racing yachts, and, indeed, those of all countries which subscribe to the International Rule, are built to Lloyd's rules. Now that the New York Yacht Club has fallen into step it will ensure that all yacht racing between the two countries shall be conducted on terms much nearer equality. And if, as all Great Britain and Ireland most fervently hope, Sir Thomas Lipton's fifth attempt succeeds, it might quite easily be that we should defend the America Cup in 1931 with one of the vessels which regularly race in the British 24-metre class.

No Humdrum Vessel.

Lloyd's rules prohibit any construction that is not sensible, sound, strong, and seaworthy; so that aluminium decks and similar metallurgical refinements are not now of much use to the designer of an America Cup challenger. This does not mean that when Mr. C. E. Nicholson starts to draw the lines of Shamrock V, it will be any humdrum vessel that takes shape on the paper. Mr. Nicholson has a reputation for courageous originality; and without doubt it will be some quite new and lovely thing of wood, steel, lead, and a little bronze that will leave the guarded shed at Gosport in eight or nine months' time.

From the outside there is little evidence of the feverish activity going on within. Inside a great space, which will be known as the Forum Mussolini, stretching from the Villa Farnesina down to the Tiber's edge, a three-storey building with gymnasia and class-rooms is nearly completed. Other parts of the premises will include a covered drill ground, an open parade ground, a stadium (with arena) capable of seating 14,000 spectators, and a swimming pool. The main piazza will be dominated by the Mussolini monolith, which is now being brought up the Tiber.

The new headquarters of the School of Military Physical Training will occupy part of the site, and will have their own giant stadium, a motor-car park, and a Roman theatre.

DR. STRESEMANN'S HINTS.

CAUTIOUS APPROVAL
EXPRESSED IN GERMANY.

Berlin, July 11.

The announcement of M. Briand's intention shortly to raise the question of a United States of Europe in a concrete form has caused surprise here and is meeting with a lively echo. Political circles cautiously prefer to regard the announcement as a *ballon d'essai*, upon which they must await further details before committing themselves. They point out that Dr. Stresemann made unmistakable hints in the same direction in his speech in the Reichstag a fortnight ago, and add that it is not impossible that the subject came up in his conversations at the Quai d'Orsay a day or two previously. (The *Vossische Zeitung* goes so far as to make a categorical assertion in this sense.)

It is declared that Germany would undoubtedly welcome a closer international understanding in the sphere of tariffs and economic co-operation generally, provided this was not directed against America or England.

They are, however, inclined to be sceptical as to the progress likely to be achieved along M. Briand's lines in the measurable future. That the idea should further develop into the political realm in present conditions is regarded as quite Utopian.

If France wants to promote political solidarity in Europe she should begin in the more modest and practical sphere of her policy towards Germany here and now before proceeding to such grandiose flights of the imagination.

The *Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung* thinks that M. Briand's dove has a sting in the tail, and suggests that the real object is to form a Continental bloc not only against America, but against England, and to fortify the existing political hegemony of France in Europe.

YACHTING RACES IN AMERICA.

SWEDEN BEATS GERMANY
AND UNITED STATES.

New York, Aug. 21.

The Swedish yacht "Bacchante" which won the first of the series of three-cornered races between Sweden, Germany and the United States at Marblehead, won again to-day, and thus secured the splendid trophy offered.

This is the second time in a fortnight that America has been beaten in an international yacht race series.—*Reuter's American Service*.

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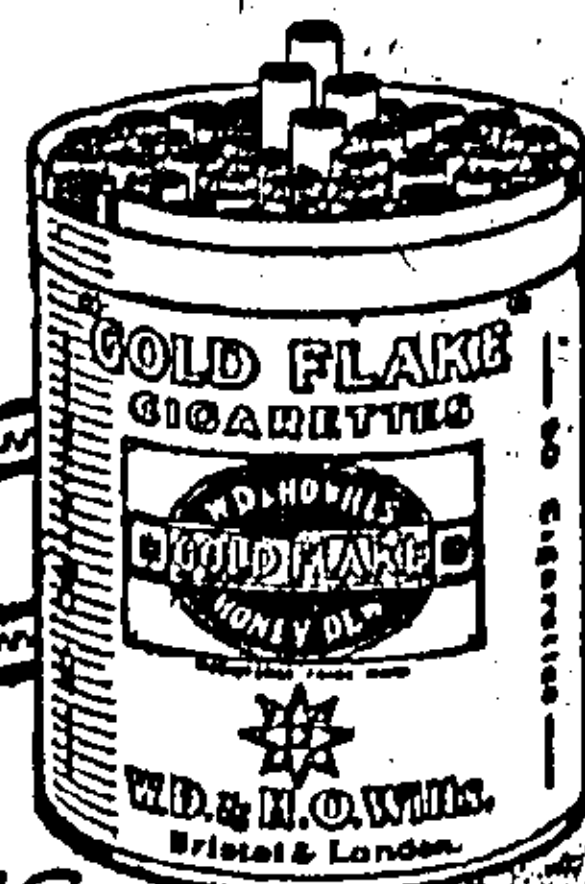
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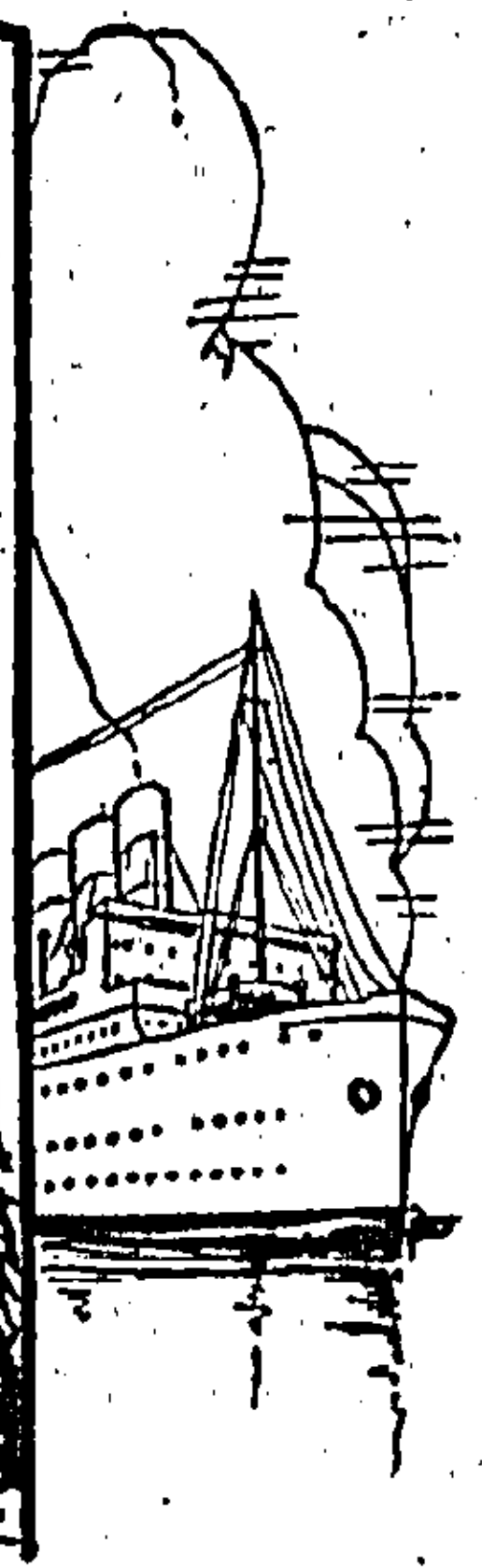


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CHOPPER ATTACK.

SAD EXPERIENCE OF BILL COLLECTOR.

An unenviable experience, which befell a bill-collector was related yesterday afternoon in Mr. T. M. Hazlerigg's Court.

On June 6 last, a house-painter called at a contractor's shop at No. 2, Kau U Fong, to collect money on an outstanding account. He was firm in his demand to the point of being pressing, and a row was precipitated.

A shop-fork coming to the aid of his employer with a hatchet, used this weapon to such effect, that the bill-collector was rendered hors de combat. He was incapacitated from work for a month through a number of wounds inflicted on his back.

On Monday last, the bill-collector brought a charge of assault against the shop-fork at the Central Police Court. A denial was returned to the charge, accompanied by the suggestion that during the scuffle, within the narrow confines of the shop, the bill-collector had stumbled and fallen on a sharp instrument.

The charge was proved, and a sentence of a month's hard labour, without the option of a fine, was inflicted.

Revision of Sentence.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. A. E. Hall, for the man who was sentenced, applied for a re-hearing of the case. The facts connected with the assault were admitted, but Mr. Hall applied for a revision of the sentence, pointing out that extenuating circumstances in the case were in the fact that the assault was committed at the instigation of the foki's employer, and committed in a moment of excitement, when the foki scarcely realised what he was doing. The man had now fully realised the seriousness of his act, and was very regretful for it.

Mr. Hall found it desirable to place his client in the box, where the latter professedly expressed the sentiments already indicated by Mr. Hall.

Mr. Hazlerigg, at the end of the case, said he would take into con-

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THE LOCAL PROGRAMME FOR TO-DAY.

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Government Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on 350 metres.

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"My Mother's Eyes," Fox Trot.
"Waring's Pennsylvanians." "Lepe Ulaula,"
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consideration the extenuating circumstances extended by Mr. Hall, one of these being the man's loyalty to his master, and another being that he had fully admitted the assault and had expressed his regret.

The sentence would be revised to accord with the plea for leniency. Having regard to the pecuniary loss resulting to the bill-collector from lack of employment during the period in which he was incapacitated by his injuries, and also to the medical expenses he had incurred.

INTERPORT TENNIS.

SHANGHAI TEAMS FOR TIEN-TSIN AND HONGKONG.

The following official statement has been issued by the Honorary Secretary of the Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association:

It has now definitely been decided that a Shanghai Interport Lawn Tennis team shall proceed to Tientsin as early in September as can be arranged in response to a kind invitation which has been received from the Tientsin Lawn Tennis Association. The actual team that will proceed is not yet certain, but invitations have been sent to five players who, if able to make the trip, will constitute a representative team as reasonably could be desired. A further statement in this connexion will be made in a few days, when the players concerned have replied to the Association's invitation.

The Interport match against Tientsin will consist of three singles and two doubles. It is expected that the Shanghai players will play other matches while in Tientsin, and that they will be away from Shanghai for about 12-14 days.

The Shanghai Lawn Tennis Association hopes also to send a team to Hongkong in November. The Hongkong L.T.A. has kindly invited both ladies and men's team from Shanghai, but whether it will be possible to accept the invitation in full is as yet unknown. The men's team will be selected after the return of the Interport team from Tientsin.

In order to ensure that the Interport trips shall not interfere more than possible with the Association's championship which start next month it has been decided that in addition to the Ladies' Singles, Men's Doubles and Roper International Cup, entries for both the Senior and Junior Sections of the Men's Singles championship shall close on Saturday next, August 24. Entries should be sent to the Hon. Secretary of the Association, 17 The Bund (third floor).

his Worship now ordered the defendant to pay sum of \$50 as compensation to the complainant, and also a fine of \$50 in place of the prison sentence.
Both sums were subsequently paid.

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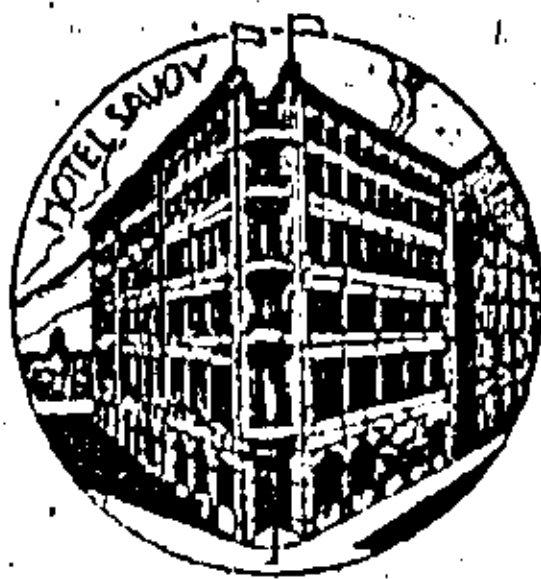
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TANGANYIKA EXTENSION
PROGRESSES.

OPENS UP HIGHLANDS.

London, Aug. 21.

Information has been received by the Colonial Office from the Governor of Tanganyika Territory that the extension of the Northern or Tanga-Moshi Railway to Arusha, which has been under construction since the end of 1927, reached the railhead at Arusha on August 14th.

The extension is a short section of about fifty miles in the north of Tanganyika Territory, and is designed to open up the highlands of Mount Meru, where there is already a considerable white settlement.

It was one of the development works which the Tanganyika Government proposed in 1926 for construction out of the proceeds of the East African guaranteed loan of £10,000,000 which Parliament sanctioned in that year. The East Africa Guaranteed Loan Committee recommended the allocation of £280,000 from the loan for this purpose.

The work of constructing the line was, in the first place, subordinated to the completion of the more important Tabora-Mwanza Railway, to the north-west of the territory, but since the latter was finished in August, 1928, work on the Arusha extension has been pushed on rapidly. —British Wireless.

TYPHOON HITS THE COLONY.

(Continued from Page 1.)

majority of shops on the Praya were closed, the entrances being hurriedly boarded up. In some cases shopkeepers prepared for the gale by connecting ropes to their doors and verandah pillars.

Rush for Ferries.

Shortly before twelve o'clock there was a rush from the city offices, many people hurrying to the ferry wharf where the red flag, indicating that the ferries were likely to stop at any moment, was flying. Just as the No. 7 signal was hoisted and the bombs were exploded a crowded ferry arrived from Kowloon. At this time there was a big crowd on the wharf hoping to get across to Kowloon but as soon as the ferry had disembarked its passengers it cast off and went into the anchorage. The blue flag indicating that the service was suspended was then hoisted.

Up to twelve o'clock all other transport services were functioning but there was every prospect of them being suspended.

Formed in China Sea.

The typhoon is of a rather different character from those which sweep up to the China Coast from the vicinity of the Philippines. It formed as a depression on Tuesday some distance to the S.E. of the Pratas and has been moving slowly towards Hongkong on a most erratic course.

Travelling in a westerly direction at first, it took a distinct curve to the north and passed to the east of the Pratas at about ten o'clock last night, the No. 1 storm signal having gone up in Hongkong some hours before. At about eleven o'clock last night the signal was changed to No. 2 (gale expected from the North) and this was still the storm warning early today.

After passing the Pratas, the typhoon travelled more or less in a direct line for Hongkong, and at six o'clock this morning it was situated close to a point about 60 miles South-East of Hongkong, and was bearing on a North-West track.

Observatory's Forecast.

Enquiries at the Royal Observatory at 10.43 a.m. elicited the fact that meteorological officials were expecting the typhoon to strike the coast very close to Hongkong, passing probably just to the south.

Some surprise was expressed that the Colony had not already felt the "blow" more severely.

A gale commencing from the Northern quadrant accompanied by heavy squalls and rain was the weather forecast.

It is interesting to note that it was exactly six years ago on August 18th that Hongkong was last visited by a really severe typhoon. On that occasion, the devastation in the Harbour was terrible, the losses including the Lungshan which went down in the Southern Fairway and a British submarine.

River Steamer Shelter.

All the river steamers which arrived in port last night left their wharves for the Typhoon Anchorage. Some left early this

ACCIDENT TO GRAF ZEPPELIN.

HER DEPARTURE ON PACIFIC FLIGHT DELAYED.

TWO STRUTS BROKEN.

Tokyo, Aug. 21.

It is learned from the aerodrome at Kasumigaura that an accident occurred a few minutes after four o'clock this morning when the Graf Zeppelin was being drawn out of the hangar, and the departure of the great airship has, therefore, been delayed.

All the passengers and crew boarded the Zeppelin at 3.47 ready for the Pacific flight, but when the airship was almost wholly withdrawn from the hangar, the gondola containing the rear-most motor sharply struck the ground, breaking two struts.

The Zeppelin was returned to the hangar and it is uncertain whether she will be able to start to-day. —Reuter.

Weather Favourable.

Earlier messages stated:—

Tokyo, Aug. 21.

Final preparations for the Graf Zeppelin's departure to-morrow morning are well under way. Bluejackets are strictly guarding the hangar, to prevent would-be stowaways from boarding the giant dirigible.

The weather authorities are optimistic as to conditions in the Northern Pacific, and no immediate change is considered likely.

The number of passengers is twenty, the same as before, the only change being three Japanese, a naval officer, a military officer, and a news correspondent, who are replacing their three countrymen who arrived from Germany.

Specially prepared provisions sufficient for six days and a plentiful supply of high-grade wines and spirits have been taken aboard.

Arrangements have been made to carry mails to America and Germany.

The Navy Minister and a number of other high officials have already proceeded to Kasumigaura, and special trains are being run to convey thousands of spectators, who, despite the early start of the airship, are expected to go to witness its departure.

Destroyers stationed at Yokosuka, Omori and Saghalien have been ordered to hold themselves in readiness for action in the event of any emergency.

Later.

Dr. Eckener has instructed the passengers to take a special train from Tokyo at midnight, arriving at Kasumigaura at 2 a.m., for the departure at 4 a.m.

At Kasumigaura refueling and re-gassing has been completed. There was a windless, almost cloudless sunset, which promises propitious weather for the hop off.

Major Shibata has definitely booked, making the total passengers nineteen. —Reuter.

morning but others waited until 11.30 a.m. before they shifted.

There was no sailing for Macao this morning. The Sui Tai (Capt. Lily) left as usual at 8 a.m. but had not gone far when she returned to her wharf, discharged her passengers and proceeded to the Typhoon Anchorage.

The Kinsan sailed as usual at 8 a.m. but it is said that she is now also at the Anchorage.

The Kong Ning (Capt. McCarthy) arrived from Wuchow at 11.10 and was still at her wharf at 11.45 but she must have gone for shelter now.

No News of Macao Boats.

At 11.45 there was still no sign of the two Macao boats, Chuen Chow and Sui An. The agents of the Chuen Chow, when interviewed by a representative of the Telegraph, said that they had received no cable from the vessel as to whether or no she had left Macao this morning. They themselves were of the opinion that she would not have sailed in the gale.

The Tai Shan (Capt. Madden), Yuet On (Capt. Cornum), Tai Lee (Capt. Bousfield), On Lao (Capt. Gillespie), Sanning (Capt. Smith), Tung Shan (Capt. Colom) and Sui On (Capt. Campbell) all proceeded to the Anchorage at various times this morning.

Most of the river steamers have taken out their clearances to leave to-night according to schedule, but it is safe to say that unless the weather improves, they will all remain in shelter until the blow is over.

The Harbour Office Reports this morning did not give a list of vessels having departed during the 24 hours ended 9 a.m. this morning, because owing to the typhoon weather, it is not known what ships had left the harbour yesterday.

According to the Harbour Office list, there are 74 vessels in port at present of which 29 are British, nine Dutch, four Portuguese, 11 Japanese, 11 Chinese, eight Norwegian and two French.

COTTON DISPUTE ARBITRATION.

CLEAR & DEFINITE ISSUE BEFORE COURT.

PRIVATE SITTINGS.

London, Aug. 21.

When the Arbitration Court which has been set up to consider the wages dispute in the cotton industry began its first sitting in Manchester to-day, it was decided to sit in private. The Chairman, Mr. Justice Rigby Swift, said it had been been intimated to the Court by both the representatives of the employers and the operatives that it would embarrass them if the sittings were held in public.

The dispute has arisen over the employers' demand for a 12.32 per cent. reduction in the current wages. The operatives strenuously oppose the proposed cut.

It is expected that the hearing of the mass of evidence will occupy three days at least.

Mr. Justice Swift, at the opening of the Court, said:—"We are here to decide on evidence which will be produced before us one clear and definite question; that is, whether, and, if so, to what extent, the employers' claim for a reduction of wages is sustained." —British Wireless.

WEST INDIES SUGAR INDUSTRY.

LORD OLIVER TO HEAD INQUIRY MISSION.

London, Aug. 21.

It was recently stated that the Colonial Secretary had decided to send out a mission, assisted by experts, to the West Indies and British Guiana to investigate the state of the sugar industry there.

It is now officially announced that the Commissioner will be Lord Oliver. He will sail at the end of September.

The task of the mission will be to consider what improvements can be introduced to meet foreign competition and in what way any aid that may be found possible can best be applied with this object.

Lord Oliver was formerly Governor of Jamaica. He was Secretary for India in the Labour Government of 1924. —British Wireless.

RECORD HABITUAL OFFENDER.

MAN GETS TWENTY-EIGHT CONVICTION.

With 27 previous convictions, a Chinese was charged before Mr. T. M. Hazlerig this morning with breaking into No. 86, Calne Road, and stealing property to the value of \$80.

The police indicated that the case of the defendant constituted a record for a habitual offender. It would appear that the man had not been long out of prison after serving a term, before he resumed his career of crime.

In the present instance, he was caught red-handed in the act, and readily admitted the offence.

To-day, the accused commenced on his 28th sentence; a long stretch of a year's hard labour.

AUSTRALIAN GOLD FOR ENGLAND.

SHIPMENT THE FIRST OF SEVERAL.

Melbourne, Aug. 21.

Gold to the value of £1,000,000 is being shipped from the Commonwealth Bank to the Bank of England.

The Argus commenting upon the shipment, says that it will not be surprising if further shipments are arranged in the near future.

On July 30th as the result of protracted drains on the Bank of England, its gold reserve had been reduced to £142,500,000, or £7,500,000 below the financial plimsoll line. —Reuter.

THE "PARIS" FIRE.

DAMAGE ESTIMATED TO BE £100,000.

London, Aug. 21.

It is estimated that the damage on board the French Transatlantic liner "Paris" as the result of the fire which broke out on board while she lay at anchor at Havre on Tuesday, will cost at least £100,000 to restore. —Reuter.

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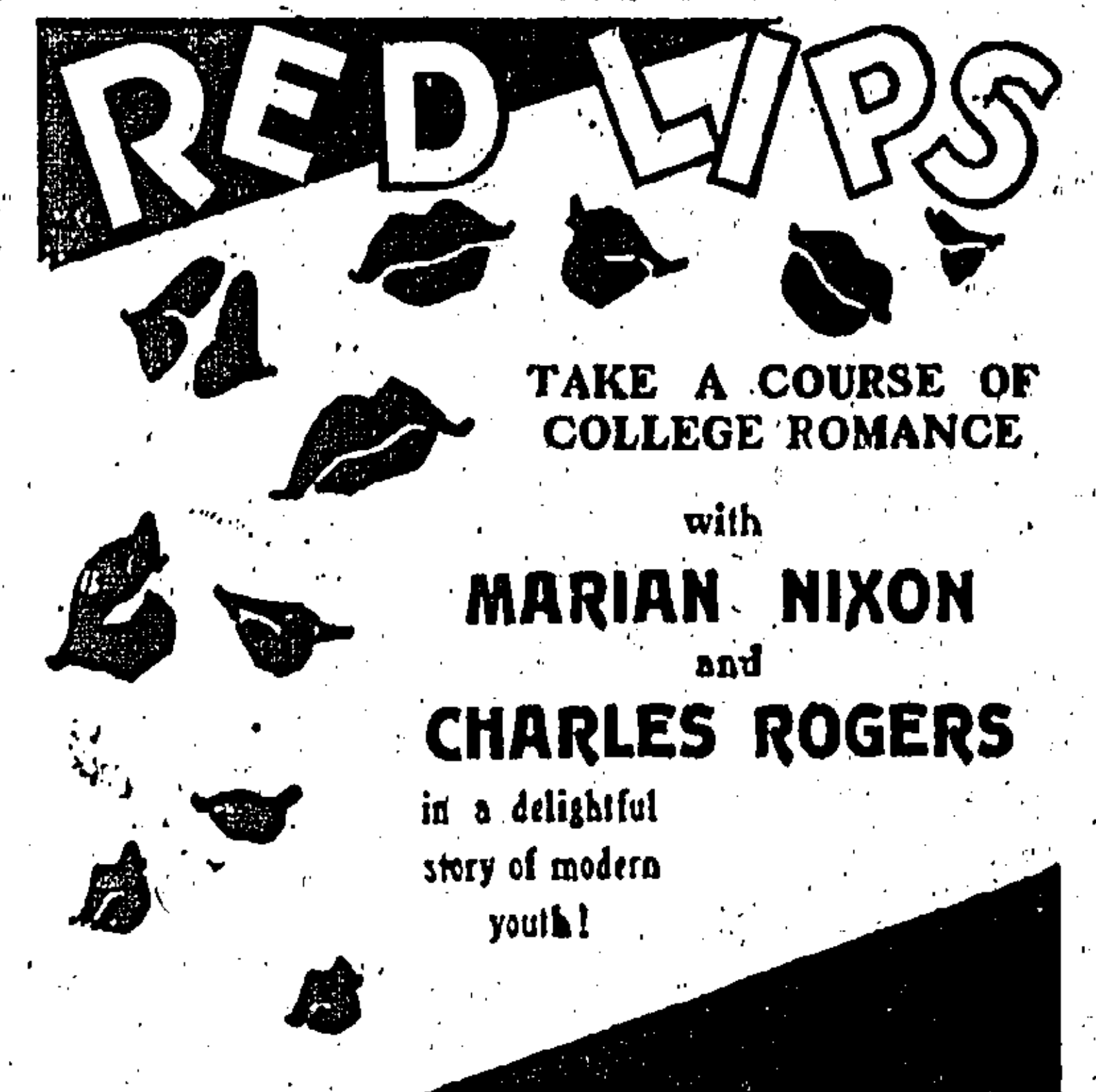


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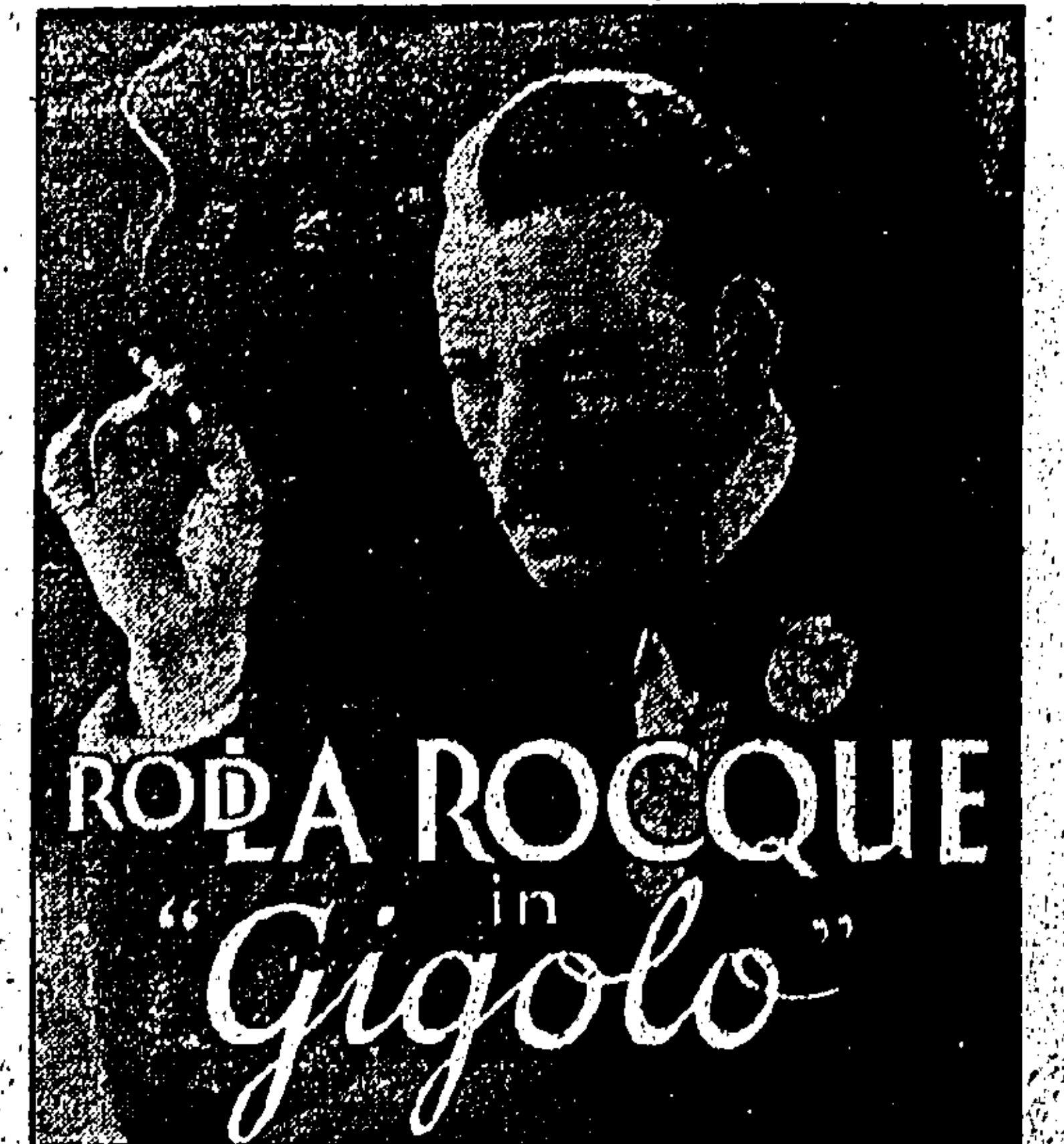
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